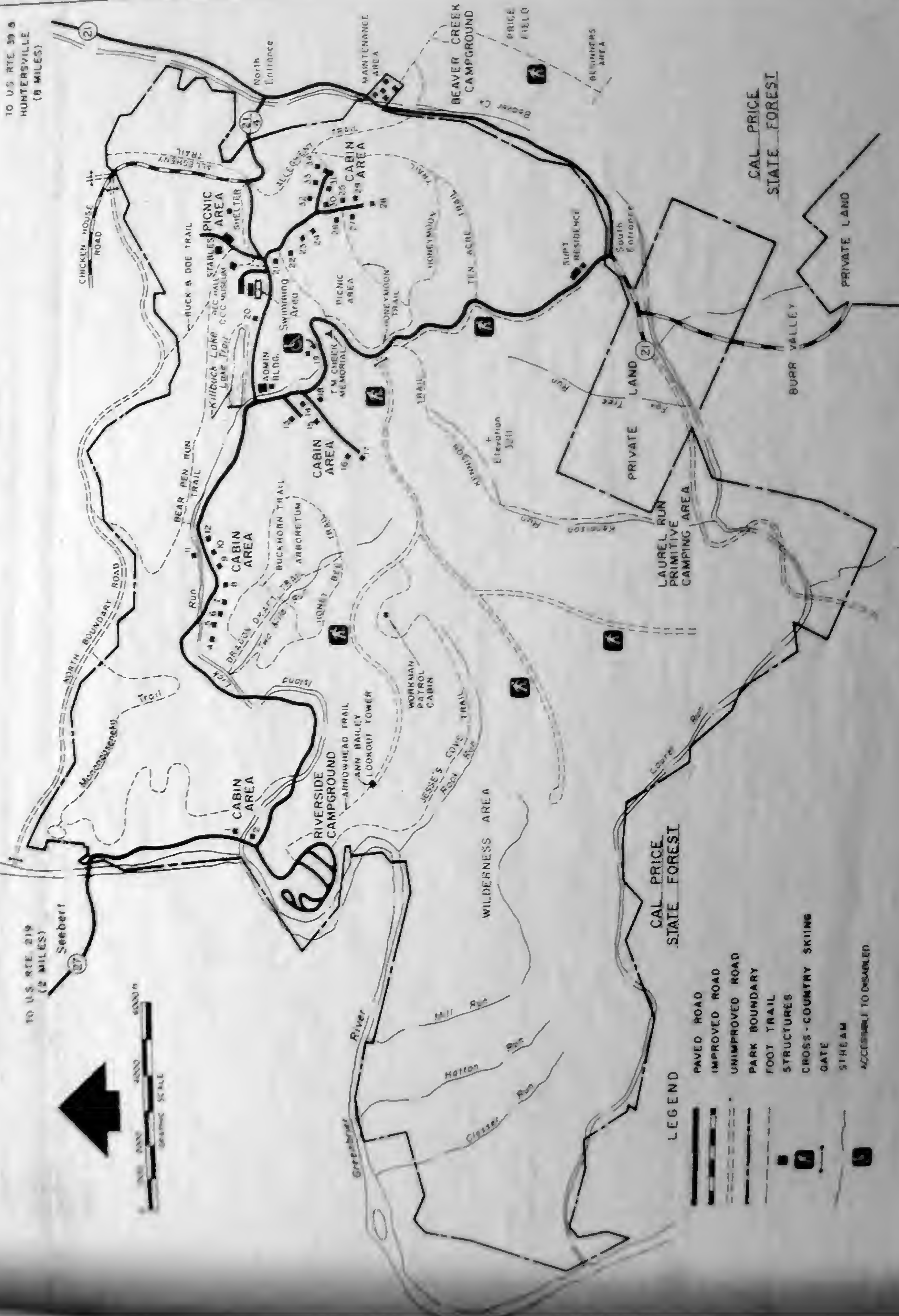
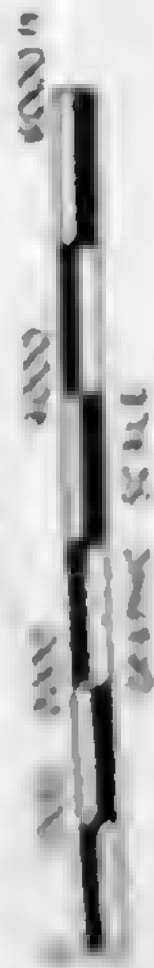
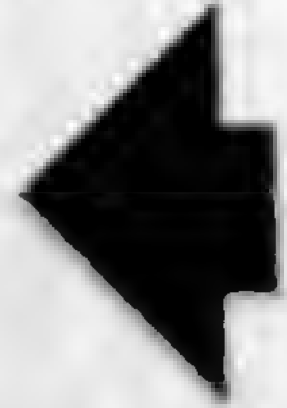


Watoga State Park

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- PARK BOUNDARY
- FOOT TRAIL
- STRUCTURES
- CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING
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- ACCESSIBLE TO DISABLED

TOURISM IN THE HILLS

Like the Outdoors? Visit Watoga State Park

...what is now known as Watoga State Park was formed. ...the first of our vacation spots and is yet today the ...

According to Mr. John C. Ludington, author of *The Geology of Watoga and the Monongahela Battlefield State Park*, Watoga is an ... name and a variant of ... meaning River of Islands. ... for several miles would ... have inspired this name. ... that this was Indian for ... Watoga was the ... to the first Settlement ... the Greenbrier River, which was ... town which flourished during the logging era, but is ... since the town ... vanished.

With the help of the Department of Natural Resources National Park Service and the Civilian Conservation

Corps (CCC), a workable program began construction of roads, trails, bridges and a lake, cabins and other facilities which are in use yet today, with many other additions over the years.

The first priority was construction of roads with cabins being next. The cabins were built with pine and chestnut logs. Native stone was used for foundations, chimneys and fireplaces.

The first persons to occupy Watoga Cabins were Colonel Fehner and his party. Records indicate that a Mr. Bradley and his family occupied Cabin No. 15 as the first paying guest.

Watoga opened to the public on July 1, 1937, by which time 18 cabins, an 11 acre lake, and several miles of horse and foot trails were ready for use. By the following season a restaurant concession, riding stables and four additional cabins were built. The swimming pool,

started in 1939, and completed in 1940, was the last major project to be completed by the CCC, in Watoga State Park. In 1945, a 25-ton capacity ice house was constructed and 1946 saw the completion of the playground area. In 1953 the first camping, (Beaver Creek) area, in the state park system was opened at Watoga. Eight deluxe cabins were completed in 1955. In the summer of 1962 Watoga began providing guests with the services of the park naturalist. Riverside Campground was completed and opened in the summer of 1980.

The restaurant building was damaged by fire in 1984. Fire and heat damage was confined to the commissary/gift shop area. The winter of 1984 was spent repairing these areas. On November 1985 the most damaging flood in history hit the Greenbrier River Valley. Cabin one and two were extensively damaged. (Continued On Page 9)



The lake is a focus point at Watoga State Park.

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CHICKEN HOUSE ROAD

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Reasonable Question

"What is the matter, Mother?" we asked.

"Nothing," she would reply. "Nothing at all! Am I never to be allowed to be quiet?"

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She must have desperately tried to find some way. Within the palace she trusted no one, for she had found rebellion

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lege dormitory, surrounded by many girls among whom I was a stranger. In some ways I was further away from America than I had been in China, and yet I was near, for always within reachable distance was my mother's house, standing eternal in the green meadows at the foot of the mountains. I could always go there, I told myself, if life grew too difficult. As a matter of fact, I did not go until the next summer, and then only for a short time, for the vague unease I had felt grew more uneasy as time went on. Yet it was not until the end of my college life and I had returned to China that the final blow fell. My handsome cousin, my uncle's only son, made unlucky speculations in business so involving the family that the house had to be sold.

I have the story of that from the man who bought it, a neighbor and a friend of the family, whose own handsome house was further up the hill than ours. It was years later that he told me. By then I had not only returned to China, but had married, had given birth to a child, had seen my mother die. I knew from her own lips, too, what it meant to lose the family home. True, she was only a daughter of the house and as I have said it was given always to the eldest son and to his son, but each member of the family was welcome there. I think when she knew that the house no longer belonged to our family that something broke in her heart. She gave up the hope of returning to her own country ever again. There was nothing to which to return now that the center was gone. My uncle's family was dispersed, my cousins scattered and married, the house emptied of its furniture and of the treasures that had been brought from Holland so long ago. What my uncle must have suffered, I can only imagine. My cousin suffered, too, as I know from the lips of the man who bought the house.

"He came here to me in the night," the man told me. "He was distracted and heartbroken, as I could see. I asked him what was the matter and he told me he had been unlucky in business and owed more than he could pay and the house had to be sold. Your family is proud, and he was proud and I could see what it cost him to tell me. But he said he could not bear to see the house sold to strangers and if it had to go, he'd rather it went to a friend. So I told him I would buy it and I did."

Took Children to See the House

This, as I said, I heard years later and when I took my own children to see the house where I was born. It wrenched my heart to see my mother's house as it was instead of as I remembered it. The parlor had of tragic necessity become the bedroom for an invalid wife, making it necessary to push into the background the books and the organ. Sickness pervaded the atmosphere and gave the house an air of transience, and for the time being it was no longer a home as I remembered it. Its soul had fled, and it stood a shell of a house upon its old and solid foundations. I longed to buy it and see it restored again as my mother's house. But it was not for sale.

Once more I returned to it. I am drawn back to it, I know, changed as it is. This time I found the house owner was dead and the house was locked. Every door was locked and the vine was stripped from the portico, leaving it desolate and bare. It was clear that no one lived there. I could not bear to leave it standing alone and empty and I longed to walk again among the rooms, strange as they had become to me, but I could only peer in the windows and see those rooms deserted and grey with dust. For me my mother's house had become a house of ghosts.

If ever it lives again, and God grant it may for my mother's memory, I hope it will live a new life, not for myself or for my family, but for people. I would like it to belong to everyone who cares to go there. From that house there has come so much life that it ought never to die or fall into ruin. For my ancestors it provided shelter and home in a new land, a house where they lived their new lives with traditional dignity and ancient faith in the fine things of life, in beauty of art and music, in the value of education, in the necessity of integrity and goodness. For my mother it provided a home, living forever in her thought and her memory, though she made dwelling places in a far country. For me it was a living heart in the country I knew was my own but which was strange to me until I returned to the house where I was born. For me that house was a gateway to America.

May it live again, my mother's house, and may it prove for others, too, a gateway to new thoughts and dreams and ways of life!

Clifftop Offers Four Days And Dance At Appalachia

In its sixth year, the Appalachian String Band Music Festival provides the finest music and dance, contests, concerts, workshops and fun. All these activities are combined into a four-day festival on August 3-6, at the beautiful mountaintop Camp Washington-Carver.

Daily admission is \$4 for adults and \$3 for seniors and children under 12. Camping is \$20 per person and \$50 for family camping for the run of the festival. Children under the age of two are free.

The Great Chestnut Lodge will serve delicious food throughout the

festival. Outdoor also be available will be provided. Chantile. Modern able for campers.

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Ashby Higgins and Olie Moyers, of Elk, were held to the grand jury in Squire Smith's court Thursday afternoon on a charge of moonshining. They live on Crooked Fork of Elk. The arrests were made by Sheriff Brown Beard, Deputy Sheriff Elmer Moore and Constable Charles K. Butler. About 100 gallons of mash was destroyed.

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2-11-26 DEEP SNOW

In the year of eighteen and eighty or eighteen and eight-one the deepest snowfall fell. Probably this was the deepest snow that fell in the eighteenth century. The snow was over four feet deep.

Fences and other obstacles were completely snowed under. It was a frightful time. Pathways had to be shoveled through the snow to the farmers' barns, in order that the farmers might attend to their stock. County schools were closed for a time, because the children could not get there on account of the deep snow.

A farmer once told me this story of the deep snow.

It began snowing early in the morning about eight o'clock on December the sixteenth said the farmer. It snowed steady for twenty-four hours. I took an estimate measure of it and found that it was over four feet deep. Shortly afterwards an immense crust formed on the surface of the snow. To add to the fearful time I was out of fire wood. I could not get no wood unless I went into the woods. I shouldered my axe and immediately set out to the forest. I had a terrible time, but finally I succeeded in getting several trees cut down. I skidded them by hand into my front yard. Fences did not hinder me in my attempt at getting the fire wood to the house, for the snow was so deep I just skidded the logs over them.

When spring opened up I went back to the woods where I had cut the trees down during the deep snow, and found to my amazement that I had cut the stumps of the trees about six or eight feet high.

L. P. V.

THE BIG SNOW

Sunday morning, March 18, the biggest snow on the ground many a young citizen ever saw in Marlinton. It measured four feet on the level; on the hills above the town it was eight feet, and farther back in the mountains twenty-four and thirty are reported. Most of the snow fell between dark and midnight. Timber was torn down, phone lines suffered and traffic impeded. The mail for Fork did not get in until 11 and then it came by horseback.

This was probably the heaviest snow here in nearly thirty years.

Charleston, W. Va. — A snow fall, said to be the largest in a decade blanketed the C. & O. district today, hindering railroad service and causing all sorts of trouble to telephone and telegraph. Railroad trains and telegraph east of Charleston were handicapped, while bus drivers were shattered in many places reporting that they could not drive in the snow upon their roads. It was reported in the rural districts that the snow was from twelve to eighteen inches of snow.

Mace Reunion

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Sheriff Brown Beard, Deputy Sheriff
Elmer Moore and Constable Charles
K. Butler. About 100 gallons of
mash was destroyed.

12-18-23

R. E. Smith Hardwood Company
of Marlinton, is the style of the new
firm manufacturing and dealing in
West Virginia hardwoods. B. E.
Smith, of Marlinton, and Donald
Whitcraft, of Philadelphia, compose
the firm. Mr. Smith is well known
as a lumber operator in this valley
for the past twenty years, and Mr.
Whitcraft has had much experience
in the selling end of the lumber busi-
ness. The offices of the firm are in
the First National Bank Building,
which have been occupied by Mr.
Smith for many years.

10-20-38

The Elk community stock dipping
vat was completed in September.
Up to this time 1900 sheep and 325
cattle have been dipped. The people
of Elk are enthusiastic over this im-
portant community endeavor. The
total cost of the vat was about \$180,
and the stock was sold at \$15 a share.
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TELEPHONE COMPANY 5-22-19 ORGANIZED

The stockholders of the Pocahontas Telephone Company held their first meeting at Marlinton on Tuesday of this week. The company was organized by the election of the following as a board of directors—George P. Moore, E. H. Williams. Dr. Solter, Dr. J. W. Price, W. C. Householder, S. B. Wallace, Dr. U. H. Hannah, J. W. Goodsell, W. R. Moore, L. D. Sharp. The officers elected are Geo. P. Moore, president; E. H. Williams vice-president; Dr. H. C. Solter, secretary and general manager; J. M. Bare, assistant manager.

This company has bought the Ronceverte & Elkins Telephone Company's lines and equipment, and will start immediately to put the line in condition, and with cooperation or consolidation with the other lines will give an efficient service.

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Sheriff Brown Beard and a number of prohibition officers made a raid on Clover Creek last week and captured a thirty gallon still and a quantity of mash. They arrested Lanty Lestor. Lestor is from Kentucky, but has lived in Pocahontas for 22 years. He will be tried in the United States Court at Webster Springs.

9-10-24

THE BIG SNOW 3-22-28

Sunday morning, March 18, found the biggest snow on the ground that many a young citizen ever saw. At Marlinton it measured fourteen inches on the level; on the heights above the town it was eighteen inches, and farther back in the mountains twenty-four and thirty inches are reported. Most of the snow fell between dark and midnight Saturday. Timber was torn down, telephone lines suffered and railroad traffic impeded. The mail from Slaty Fork did not get in until Tuesday, and then it came by horseback.

This was probably the heaviest fall of snow here in nearly thirty years.

Charleston, W. Va — A ten inch snow fall, said to be the largest with in a decade blanketed the Charleston district today, hindering railroad and bus service and causing slight damage to telephone and telegraph lines. Railroad trains and telephone lines east of Charleston were especially handicapped, while bus schedules were shattered in many districts, drivers reporting that they experienced difficulty in driving because of snow upon their wind shields. Fifteen to eighteen inches of snow were reported in the rural districts.

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Those attending were Susie Wade, Virgil and Annie Bowers, Gene and Mary Hanna, Julian Mace, Betty Armstrong, Dale Mace, Larry and Roseanna Groves, Butch, Dee and Lacy Hanna, Willie Hanna, Chuck, Judy, Lori and Kevin Hanna, Angie Hanna and Aaron Tenney, Doug Angel, Skeeter, Bryan and Brittany Hanna, Pat Hanna, Mike, Fran, Lori and Christopher Hanna, Kay and Les Hiser, Gary Cook, Joann Arthur, William Arthur, Howard and Nellie Moore, Liz Feigly, Forrest, Susie and Samantha Friel, Lisa, Jamie and Justin Robertson, Mary (Pepper) Mann, Wanda and Lisa Carso, Clarice Mann, David and Susan Mace, Bobby Bennett, Marilyn and Laurinda Armstrong, Danelle, Autum, Joey Tawney, Marie Mellinger, Crystal Smith, Carolyn, Ghaile Jr, and Crystal Shorteridge, Gary, Laura and children, Rusty, Mary Sue, Judy, Jeff, Julie, Scott and Justin Hanna, and Larry Morgan and friend.

Hope to see everyone next year.
May God bless each and everyone.

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When spring opened up I went back to the woods where I had cut the trees down during the deep snow, and found to my amazement that I had cut the stumps of the trees about six or eight feet high.

L. P. V.

Norman Sharp, aged 17 years, was before the circuit court Monday morning on a charge of check raising. He confessed and was sent to the reform school at Pruntytown until he is 21 years old. This is his second offense, having been paroled. He is a son of Divers Sharp, who is now serving time in the penitentiary for stealing sheep.

Easter Gibson, a boy of 19 years was before Squire Smith last Saturday on a charge of having whiskey in his possession. He was fined \$100 and six months in jail.

12-18-23

Halloween 1-2-23

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held festivals on or
about November 1, and
offerings in honor of the
dead. The Druids also
believed in wicked souls that
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MACFALL'S BODY FOUND

YOUNG MAN WHO DISAPPEARED IN DECEMBER

Bascom McFall, a young man from Greenbrier County, was working for the West Virginia Pulp and Paper Company the first part of the winter, drew his pay and prepared to go home for Christmas. He came out of the woods with a chum and they left their baggage at the station to take the train. When the train arrived McFall did not show up, and his friend went on without him.

Since then McFall has not been seen, although his baggage disappeared shortly after from the depot.

Monday evening a body was found in the woods in the edge of the town of Cass which is no doubt the body of the unfortunate young man.

A man living on the island in the old mill dam noticed that his dog went to the woods at a certain place. He followed him and found the body. The face and hands were eaten away, but otherwise the body was in a good state of preservation. That it was foul play was clearly indicated by the fact that the body was partly covered with logs, stones and laurel brush.

The body was that of a young man about 5 feet 11 inches, bare footed, with suit of clothes which had been sold by a merchant in Lewisburg.

The place where the body was found was by the old abandoned road road to Green Bank, about 75 yards up the hill from Greenbrier River and about 200 yards above a point opposite the big mill.

An inquest was started at Cass Wednesday but no marks of violence being apparent it was adjourned to the county seat to wait the result of a postmortem examination which is now going on.

In the lumber woods it is not uncommon for men coming in with a lot of money on their persons to be robbed or "rolled" while drunk or drugged and this may have been a case of that kind where the dose was too strong and the treatment resulted fatally.

Book Review

THE DURBIN ROUTE

This is a very fine book which gives us a detailed and accurate account of the history of the Greenbrier Division branch of the Chesapeake and Potomac Railway which extended from Ronceverte north to Durbin.

The story begins following the Civil War when railroads were seen by the country as the key to prosperity and success. It is a balanced mixture of fact and commentary. Bill McNeel takes the reader from the early work begun in 1896, to the construction of grades and bridges, and to that very special day on October 26, 1900, when the "first train" arrived at Marlinton. With the Route in place, we then see its busy years from 1900 to the Depression when the line serviced numerous saw mills and carried freight and passengers, to its decline following World War II and its eventual demise on December 28, 1978, when the last train left the line departing from Durbin.

Best of all are the wonderful photographs which show us the life and drama of the Route. We see the crews on the Greenbrier River with their rafts and wagons during construction and can almost feel the muscle and sweat poured into building this iron road. We see the engineers and crews, the station houses, the people of Pocahontas County as they were then, in what seems an almost fairy-tale world dressed in a bygone style at picturesque stations which are no longer here.

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SLATY FORK NEWS

9-22-55

School is progressing nicely under the management of Thomas Gibson.

W. A. Sage continues quite ill.

Our Sunday School is progressing. We have a good District Superintendent, Rev. Parks, and also a good preacher, Rev. Bennett.

Mr. and Mr. W. B. Curtain and son, Stanley, and Miss Shirley Bell, of Baltimore, Maryland, were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Sharp, last week.

The Slaty Fork Choir was invited to furnish the music at the Renick home coming on September 11, but was postponed on account of two deaths in the Renick Community. They insisted on the Choir attending the next Sunday 18, but other plans prevented them from attending.

MCFALL'S BODY FOUND

YOUNG MAN WAS KNIPPED IN MOUNTAINS

Thomas McFall, a young man from Chesapeake, Virginia, was working in the West Virginia Park and Forest Company the last part of the winter. One day he got up and prepared to go back to Chesapeake. He came out of the woods with a shirt and trousers that he had changed at the station on the train. When the train arrived McFall did not show up, and his family was in a state of alarm.

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There is a section devoted entirely to wrecks and accidents which is very interesting but its dramatic appeal and the revelation of the difficulty of maintaining this Route in the mountains.

Thanks to this book, when we walk the Greenbrier River or we pass through Marlinton Durbin we can see in our eye how it all was.

— by Martin V. Smith

Time, custom stand still in West Virginia

BY CHARLES COLLINS

THE GREENBRIER ROUTE

THE GREENBRIER ROUTE, W. Va. — When it comes to time, it is as if time had stood still in her land and soul. In the night, the railroad which carried the mountains to the coast, the mountains to the coast.

There is no time here where the railroad has lived in the primitive world, without running water or electricity on the slopes of Dead Fall Mountain, her entire life. She lives alone in the isolated pockets beyond the power lines of West Virginia.

The hardy, fiercely independent old mountain woman has never had a radio or TV. She chops wood to cook her food and heat her home. She uses an antique year 'round, even in the dead of winter. Her nearest neighbors are on the other side of the

collar of time.

"MY STORIES of youth. They're all neighbors. I also have tales handed down to granddaddy, and he told before them, all the way back to the olden times." said Collins, who is "Mountain" 5 foot 2 and tips 110 pounds. "The reason I explained, 'is they and ballpoint pens."

Collins, like Sybil, lives in a log cabin in an isolated area. She has all the modern conveniences, but she says, "I don't wash clothes in a machine. I use a wash tub."

Her stories are about the hills today and the hills in the past, stories of the past, stories of the past, stories of the past.

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St. Paul Times

3-11-75

Time, custom stand still in West Virginia

By CHARLES HILLINGER

Los Angeles Times

DEAD FALL RUN, W. Va. — Sylvia O'Brien, 76, sat beside an oil lamp and wood-burning stove in her clapboard cabin on the subzero night, strumming her banjo and singing: "This is my home where the bobcats holler and the wild deer roam."

She has lived in the primitive dwelling without running water or electricity on the slopes of Dead Fall Mountain her entire life. She shuns modern conveniences. She lives alone in one of the isolated pockets beyond the power lines of West Virginia.

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12-18-86

WEST VIRGINIA

Mrs. Ella Sheets, of Green Bank, sent this clipping from The Pocahontas Times of a good many years ago from her scrap book.

First Ohio, Brook and Hancock,

With old Marshall here we see;

In a group they stand together

Just as snug as they can be;

Making our great Panhandle,

And gay Wheeling here we see.

Then comes Wetzel, Tyler, Pleasant,

With old Wood and Jackson too,

Lie to Mason, on to Cabell,

Then great Wayne is brought to view

On the fair Ohio River

All these counties are found.

Lincoln, Logan, Boone, Wyoming,

And McDowell next we spy;

With Mingo, Raleigh and old Mercer,

In the southwest they lie;

South of the Great Kanawha,

In the southwest they lie.

Pocahontas and Greenbrier,

With young Summers and Monroe,

Pendleton and Grant and Hardy,

Mineral and Hampshire too,

On the southeastern border,

In the mountains they do lie.

Berkeley, Jefferson and Morgan,

A Panhandle next we spy,

In the east, on the Potomac,

These three counties quiet lie,

Making our great Panhandle;

In the east it does lie.

Monongalia, Preston, Tucker,

Marion and Taylor, too,

Doddridge, Harrison and Barbour

Are the next we bring to view;

Counties north of the center,

And they're prosperous counties too.

Ritchie, Lewis, Upshur, Randolph,

Wirt, Calhoun and Gilmer spy,

Braxton, Boone, Clay and Webster,

With old Nicholas close by;

These are our midland counties,

For in the midland they lie.

Payette, Putnam and Kanawha,

In a valley rich and great,

Ends the song of every county,

In our fair and thriving State;

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5-25-16

BROWNS CREEK

Pretty weather and farmers are through planting, and are now laying by watching the ground squirrels and crows. There appears to be a bountiful crop of these this year.

Marvin Gillespie, candidate for assessor, was shaking hands here last week.

The sawmill shanty near C. L. Moore's was burned last week. It contained clothing and tools of considerable value.

Our old friends, Mr and Mrs Sheldon Moore are with us again. We are always glad to have such fine, genial old people with us. Mr Moore is in poor health and is talking of going to Ohio.

W. T. T. Moore and sons are making considerable improvement on their farm.

Mrs Cella White and little daughter Dollie were visiting Mrs Jake Loury.

Strickler Hoover is among friends on the Creek. By grabs, we are glad to see you, Strickler.

A. C. Moore and son Moody are making extensive improvements on their dwelling.

Walter Grimes was a business visitor at Marlinton.

Sheepshearing will soon be the order of the day. Strange as it is we cannot hear a word from our Republican friends regarding present prices of wool and lambs, but when the figures per pound for wool is mentioned, you can see a wide sheepish grin spread over their faces. Those, too, who were almost overcome with fear and trembling when good old Wilson was elected, and vowed they would have to sell their sheep; some of them only owned one sheep, too.

Bliss Shrader was at Marlinton Saturday.

Mrs Charlie McLaughlin was

SLATY FORK

The West Virginia Pulp and Paper Company has about finished cutting timber on Elk River. They are moving over on Cheat where they have a fine lot of spruce. We understand a number of families will now move from Slaty Fork.

The people of the Elk Valley gave L. D. Sharp the surprise of his life on his birthday Saturday night. Nearly sixty persons came to his home without him knowing anything about what was going on. Some of the family had fooled Mr Sharp off into another room under the pretext of having him read an important letter. They all seemed to enjoy themselves greatly, especially Mr Sharp; he said he did not realize how many friends he did have. In the party gathered to celebrate the birthday of their long time friend were Mr and Mrs Samuel D. Hannah. Mr Hannah is away up in eighty.

We are having lots of rain, but we are not complaining. Too much rain is far better than a drought.

We don't know what will happen next. The world seems to have gone mad. False prophets everywhere; nations of murderers sweeping in on peace loving nations, destroying men, women and children. It looks now like they may undertake to destroy every free, peace loving people on earth. Satan is sure turned loose.

Over twenty thousand girls are in the liquor stores selling beer and whiskey. Can this nation be exempt from chastisement for its sins?

This nation had better repent and clean up.

God save our nation from the horrors of war.

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THURSDAY, AUGUST 11, 1938

The circumstances which led to the emigration of John Lewis and his settlement of Augusta county are detailed in the Virginia Historical Register for 1851. This narrative, published some years after his death, was written by Hon. Jno. H. Peyton from information derived orally from Wm. L. Lewis, of Campbell county, M. C., for that district from 1817 to 1819, and is as follows:

John Lewis, his grandfather, was a native of Ireland, and was descended of French Protestants, who emigrated from France to Ireland in 1685, at the revocation of the Edict of Nantes, to avoid the persecutions to which the Protestants—to which sect of religion they belonged—were subjected during the reign of Louis XIV.

"John Lewis, in Ireland, occupied a respectable position in what is there called the middle class of society. He was a holder of a free-hold lease for three lives upon a valuable farm in the County of Donegal and Province of Ulster, obtained upon equal terms and fair equivalents from one of the Irish nobility, who was an upright and honorable man, and the owner of the reversion. This leasehold estate, with his wife's marriage portion, enabled the young couple to commence life with flattering prospects. They were both remarkable for their industry, purity and stern integrity. They prospered and were happy. Before long, however, occurred which completely destroyed the hopes of this once happy family in Ireland, and made them wander from their native land, their affliction was intensified by the death of Catherine, leaving Thomas alone and solitary.

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"After they had recovered from the magical effect which the calm resolution and stern countenance of Lewis produced, they descanted upon what they called the insolence of his manner, and the mock defiance of his speech, with all the false views which aristocratic pride, excited by the fumes of wine, in a monarchical government were so well calculated to inspire. During the evening the rash purpose was formed of dispossessing Lewis by force. Accordingly, on the next day, the young lord, without any legal authority whatever, proceeded at the head of his guests and domestics to oust Lewis by force.

"Lewis saw the approach of the hostile array, and conjectured the object of the demonstration. He had a shalah, a weapon in possession of every Irish farmer at that period. Nor was there any one at his house but a brother, confined to bed by disease, his wife and three infant children; yet he resolved to resist the lawless band and closed the door. The young lord, on reaching the house, demanded admittance, which not being granted, the posse attacked the house, and after being foiled in several attempts to break down the door, or to effect in other ways an entrance, one of the party introduced the muzzle of a musket through an aperture in the wall and discharged its contents—a bullet and three buckshot—upon the within. Lewis' sick brother was mortally wounded, and one of the shot passed through his wife's hand. Lewis, who had up to this time acted in the defensive, seeing the blood stream from the hand of his wife, and his expiring brother sinking in his blood, became enraged, furious, and seizing his shalah, he rushed from the cottage, determined to avenge the wrong and kill the assassin as dearly as possible. The first person he encountered was the young lord, whom he dispatched at a single blow, striking in with the butt, and scattering his brains upon himself and the ground. The next person he met was the steward, who raised the fall of his musket, ready to shoot him on the spot, and at that moment Lewis was standing at the door, and the steward, seeing the

John Lewis, following this advice, proceeded at once to Philadelphia. In a year his family joined him, and learning from them that the most industrious efforts were being made by the friends of the young lord to discover the country to which he had fled, he determined to penetrate deep into the American forest. He moved then immediately from Philadelphia to Lancaster, and there spent the winter of 1731 and 1732, and in the summer of 1732, he removed to the place near Staunton, in the County of Augusta, now called Bellefonte, where he settled, brought up his family, conquered the country from the Indians and amassed a large fortune. At the time he settled in this place, Augusta county was not formed. The county was in the possession of the Indians, and Staunton was not known. After establishing himself here, his family was a nucleus for new settlers from the east side of the Blue Ridge and Ireland, and the number had so increased by 1745, that the County of Augusta was organized, when John Lewis was appointed a magistrate, and assisted in the organization."

[Editor's Note] The foregoing history piece is not only especially interesting to me as the record of a family prominent from the formative period of our country down to this day. It is also of general interest as a picture of conditions in the north of Ireland, causing a regular migration of the Scotch-Irish to America.

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In a general way it is about the same kind of a march that the Revolutionary army made across the peninsula in 1774 when they were trying to cut down Cornstalk. It winds in and out and gives the tourist a great variety of sights.

A generation ago Prof. Samuel Brown, the geologist at the University explained very patiently year after year, to student ears that heard not, that the mineral wealth of the southern part of West Virginia indicated that the population would gradually center there, and to be more specific, he said that the time would come when the town of Huntington would be the greatest city between Cincinnati and Pittsburgh, and that having attained an ascendancy would thereafter maintain it. All this has come to pass.

We are used to green fields and pleasant pastures in the blue grass section where I live, but down the Ohio calls king, and the concentrated extract of vegetation is what

The women I had worked for in the group reports and the main thing I remember is that I was really down for the first time and I was really down for the first time and I was really down for the first time.

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About a hundred years ago close by the Big Lick was a rock called the pictured or calico rock on it the Indians sculptured many figures of animals and birds and other records. Unfortunately it was needed to make furnace chimneys and the rock was destroyed.

There is a tradition of a bearded gentlemen from New England who was travelling along by the salt works boring where a well was spouting fire. He had heard that such wells were often accompanied by a flow of gas that could be ignited. He got hold of some fire with his flint and steel and touched the well off and was badly burned, and had to lie up for repairs at Charleston for a long time. It is related that the owner of the well being a good deal damaged by the fire visited the injured man for the purpose of collecting from him, but that the stranger was such a pitiful sight that he forebore to bother him about it.

It is generally conceded that the original name among the white people for the Great Kanawha River was Wood River, named in honor of Gen. Abraham Wood, whose place was Fort Henry, at the falls of Appomattox River where Petersburg, Virginia, is located. He was a great Indian trader and explorer and was the first to discover that the Great Kanawha River cut all the mountains in two. He had probably mapped the river correctly as early as 1661. His was the name it bore for many years. A great river, four hundred miles long, rising in the state of North Carolina and flowing northeast for a hundred miles and gradually turning to the west and finally running true to the dip of the strata northwest to where it joins the Ohio. It is said the word Kanawha means the river of the mounds. The trouble about the matter is that they can be construed to mean almost anything, and the fate of the word lies in the ear of the hearer. The white men have almost a hundred ways to spell Kanawha, and they have accepted the spelling of

I have been thinking about you a great deal lately, and wondering how you are getting along. I hope you are well and happy. I am still working hard, but I manage to find some time for my family.

No one knows quite so much as
thinks he does; so do not deem
these dull scientific musings a
dull.

Wood got Fort Henry. He had a wonderful trade with the Indians in south and west. He went through the woods at first himself, and I see no good reason to doubt that he reached the Great Kanawha in the year 1654, in person. That was the season it was called Wood-river.

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Karl's film. I've learned a great
deal from him. I'll tell you more in

I think I have found the best
 place for the house. I have
 the house in the middle of the
 lake. It is very quiet and
 the view is very beautiful.
 I think I will build it there.
 I will build it on the shore
 of the lake. I will build it
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and crossed over to the river and followed it to the mouth of the Kanawha River, and leaving that to cross the divide to the waters of Guyan River, which the city of Mounds sits in the fork between the two. Then to the waters of the Greenbrier. Then to the waters of Coal River, Paint Creek, and other waters of the New River.

The streams I had learned from the pioneer reports and the maps. One day Congressman Taylor and I were riding down the Miffland Trail and when we approached the town of Mounds, we began to inquire for the burning springs.

The Kellys Creek that I wrote about last week is still there. I wrote about it and then went to see it. The town of Cedar Grove is built upon an old Indian mound. The Journal of the officers in Dunmore's War would indicate that Kelly's cabin was almost exactly where the Timplice house stands.

Col. Fleming says that nine miles below the mouth of Kelly's Creek that the burning springs were to be found. He observed that they were on a high bank and consisted of two basins some three or four feet in diameter, and these were filled with water. When he came there he found the basins full of black water that had a greasy taste. It boiled and bubbled some three or four inches above the surface, without either emitting air or heat so far as he could see. The springs had no apparent outlet but the water seemed to escape by seeping through a fat-soaked earth. From them there was a descent to a sticky place of fat, black mud where there was a fallen tree trunk. The water as it rolled was black and had a slight sulphur taste.

He failed a hatch over the water and discovered of four or five inches and the same decomposed itself in the surface of the water and burned with scorching force, like a coal-burner of old wood. After burning along time the water boiled and evaporated. After a time the party failed to get the fire out but was not able to do it. They piled grass on it and it consumed the grass.

The next day we could see no sign of the burning springs but we did not have much time to look for them. Two Indians, visiting by the road side told that they knew about it much when there are Indians and that they did not know whether they could be definitely located or not, but that tradition said that they were near a certain spring of a tree that stood near the river.

Another tradition says that in the same place there is a fat-soaked place for centuries so long as they could find it by the time.

Another account around says that the burning spring was about eighty yards from the river bank in a certain place. In 1812, in looking for coal, the mouth of a thousand feet was reached. This was the record for a long time at that time and a great deal was learned about it. The surface water was said to be of the surface water. The soil water and gas found here was said to be of the surface water. One well was said to be of the surface water.

and flowing northeast for a hundred miles and gradually turning to the west and finally running true to the dip of the strata northwest to where it joins the Ohio. It is said the word Kanawha means the river of the woods. The trouble about the matter that pass for words in a savage tribe is that they can be construed to mean almost anything, and the fate of the word lies in the ear of the hearer. The white men have almost a hundred ways to spell Seneca, and finally they adopted the spelling of the name of the ancient philosopher.

I got out my books to see if I could check up on the meaning of the word and it looks to me that it means the river of the great slims, and that is not so far from the river of the woods. I have been over that ground again, and I am about ready to abandon the northern route and come back to my first conclusion that they came over the southern route. It is somewhat puzzling to follow them. But it is possible. For they kept a journal of each day's travel, and I am about ready to adhere to the belief that they pursued a line of march along Indian paths conforming very closely to the line of the Virginian railway from Roanoke, Virginia, to Deepwater, West Virginia, only that they came to the Great Kanawha River at the falls. The terrain at the village of Kanawha Falls answers the particular description that Batts and Fallam give as to the place that they took possession of the Mississippi valley in the name of King Charles the Second.

When Batts and Fallam made a solemn report that the water in the Kanawha river ebbed and flowed with the tide, we took it for granted that they did not know what they were talking about, but when I got down there the other day, I found that there was a belief that there was some sort of an ebb and flow of the tide, but I do not feel at liberty at this time to give the name of the observers. But there are more things in this world than are dreamed of in your philosophy, Horatio! Therefore the attention of those uninteresting men, the exact scientists, is invited to this phenomena. I would not care to have the weight of such words of

in good reason to believe that I reached the Great Kanawha in the year 1812, in person. That was the reason it was called Wood's river.

Not in 1812, when Batts and Fallam were well across the mountains. They said it was a passing through a dreadful night to see the mountains and hills as if painted upon another. Next day Captain Batts. It has the same effect today upon the traveler.

Wood was a man of sixty-one years and he was sending out agents to trade for him. Pure became a great source of gain. Frydson wrote in 1812.

Friend, once knew fame that led them forth,
To brave the tropic heat and frozen north.

Late it was gold, then beauty was the spur.

One of Wood's agents captured the Indians who were killed to see them, and that was somewhere in the neighborhood of the Shawnee town in Ohio.

Wood was not on good terms with a tribe that lived on the Great Kanawha about fifty or sixty miles above the mouth. He called them the Monetonas but who are called the Mohetans, a cognate tribe of the Tutelo, the tribe of the great chief Nastybone. These Mohetans had moved over from Roanoke to the salt springs of Kanawha. Batts and Fallam found a bit of level land where they had once lived at the Falls of the Kanawha, but it was overgrown with locust, and other growth that causes some historians to put the expulsion of the Indians from the Western Waters in the year 1850, by the Five Nations. But be that as it may, a strong colony of Mohetan Indians still lingered around the Big Lick just above Charleston, for Batts and Fallam were afraid to go closer to them than that the falls in 1811.

In 1814, Wood sent James Needham and Gabriel Arthur into the Indian country south of Fort Henry to trade, and they got along pretty well until some of the tribe of Indians went to the far south and were killed for their furs by white men. Needham was killed by the Indians in retaliation, and Arthur was tied to a stake and fire set around him, but at the last minute he was saved. He conformed to the life of the tribe and later he went a ten-day journey to visit to the Mohetans at the Big Lick. Here he was allowed to see in the river several times and

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Cadence: the master's mark

By JAMES J. KILPATRICK
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Every student of the writer's art, if he would polish his style, ought regularly to spend a little time in the company of Gibbon and Macaulay. What can these masters teach us? Cadence. It is the master's mark.

Consider, if you will, this sentence: "The various modes of worship which prevailed in the Roman world were all considered by the people as equally true; by the philosophers as equally false, and by the magistrate as equally useful."

Or this sentence: "Augustus was accustomed to boast that he had found his capital of brick, and that he had left it of marble."

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Or this: "Before an assembly thus modelled and prepared, Augustus pronounced a

studied oration, which displayed his patriotism and disguised his ambition."

GIBBON FASHIONED his sentences just as Mozart fashioned counterpoint. In the first example, the deliberate repetition of "equally" makes the sentence ring. In the second example, Gibbon employs the device of antithesis, setting "found" against "left" and "brick" against "marble." The same device brings sparkle to the third example. Note that each of the sentences meets a stern test of writing: This is writing that can be read aloud with pleasure.

So, too, with Macaulay. Here he is criticizing the works of Samuel Johnson: "All his books are written in a learned language, in a language which nobody hears from his mother or his nurse, in a language in which nobody ever quarrels, or drives bargains, or makes love, in a language in which nobody ever thinks."

And finally, from Macaulay's brilliant essay on the life of Warren Hastings, let us admire the perfection of a single sentence. Macaulay recounted the deal by which Hastings undertook to bribe Sir Elijah Impey, chief justice of Bengal, in order to halt the judge's excesses. "The bargain was struck; Bengal was saved; an appeal to force was averted; and the Chief Justice was rich, quiet, and infamous."

I DON'T MEAN to be pessimistic, but I suspect that a writer's gift of cadence, like a singer's gift of perfect pitch, is not something that can be acquired by book learning. Nevertheless, there are tricks of the trade that may be mastered by diligent effort. The devices of balance, of repetition, of parallelism, of deliberate rhythm, are devices that any of us can play with.

It helps to write poetry — sonnets, or limericks, or gnomes, or epics in the galloping meters of Robert W. Service. Your ear will improve with the discipline of rhyme; there's a mighty little discipline in free verse. Cast a sentence. Turn it over. Cast it yet again? Take the parts apart and put them back together. To bring off a super-sentence is a thrill. It's first of all hard work.

Tribute To Louise McNeill Pease, West Virginia Poet Laureate

by Rep. Nick Joe Rahall, D-WV

Louise McNeill Pease, West Virginia poet laureate, passed away at the age of 82. Ms. Pease, a native of Pocahontas County was sixteen when she first started writing poetry and dedicated most of her writing to the coal miners and the people of Appalachia. Her talent and her commitment to West Virginia state issues led then-Governor Jay Rockefeller, in 1971, to declare Pease West Virginia poet laureate, a title she kept till her death.

Early in her career, she sold poems to The Saturday Evening Post, for \$5 a line. In 1931, she published her first collection of poems, "Mountain White." Since then, she has published six other books. Her last book, "Hill Daughter: New and Selected Poems," was published in 1991.

Ms. Pease graduated from Concord College in Athens, WV and afterward, taught History and English. She received a master's degree from Miami University in Ohio and earned a doctorate from West Virginia University in Morgantown. She started teaching in a one-room schoolhouse and later became a professor at Potomac State College and Fairmont State College, before ending her thirty year career in teaching. While she was teaching, Ms. Pease also concentrated on writing fiction and poems for magazines.

Ms. Pease has been called "a true daughter of the Mountain State." Her poems about coal miners are regarded by many as a way to study and learn about West Virginia history. Ms. Pease's intellect and spiritual beliefs also can be detected through her words; in 1991, she stated, "I suppose all my books are touched by the earth, the feeling that I'm going to be bound to the earth. I may go on a long journey, but I will be back to the earth."

West Virginia has lost a truly admirable and talented woman who articulated the joys and challenges of Appalachian with such emotion that anyone who reads her poems will experience the passions of Appalachia's people. Louise McNeill Pease will be greatly missed.

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Notice--Belled Cows

It is against the law for cows to run at large in the town of Marlinton with bells on. The noise in the night time disturbing sick and nervous people.

6-28-23
R K BURNS,
Chief of Police.

Notice to Cow Owners

In compliance with our town ordinance about cows, all cow owners are notified to pen their cow at night; no family to keep more than one cow, and all cows running at large to be without horns. Please comply with these regulations and save yourself trouble.

5-19-27 By Order of the Council.

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Mother Cats Wanted

I expect to be in the market for mother cats with young kittens from 1 to 14 days old; the younger the better. Expect to need these cats from March 25 to April 30. Write or phone me what you have.

W. C. Ruckman,
Millpoint, W. Va.

Letter

My wife and I and daughter drove through Watoga Park, looking for a place to have a private picnic. There was a lot of traffic on the road. We saw a sign "Dump Road" and we decided to take it. We drove about a half mile and there was a car parked in the road bearing New York plates. There was enough room to pass it and we met a couple of people walking toward us with their hands full of dark feathers. The gentleman asked me how I got by his car. I said there was enough room to get by it.

He said, "Boy, you got here too late to see the big flock of turkeys." He said they flew out of trees and off the ground and he said, "Look up there; they are still circling around up there." I said, "Mr., the birds up there are turkey buzzards, not turkeys."

He asked me what a buzzard

was and I told him that they were a vulture that lived on the flesh of dead animals—carrion. He said that I must be wrong. I told him that I grew up on a farm and raised tame turkeys and that I had hunted and killed lots of wild turkeys and so to prove it I told him to smell the feathers. They did this and threw the feathers down just as if they were hot. They said, "What a terrible odor," and she said, "What in the world can we do?"

I said, "I have a jug of ice water and paper towels in the car and will pour some water on you hands," which I did, and they dried them and the lady said, "Please, if you ever see another car with New York plates don't tell them about us making such a smelly mistake."

I said, "I won't mention it," and they smiled and walked away. We had our picnic and a good laugh.

Stanley Wooddell

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WEST VIRGINIA

BY ANDREW PRICE

The sparkling streams that wend their ways
Through pleasant valleys, fair and bright,
Woods where the flickering sunbeam plays.
The peaks lit by the morning rays
That sweep away the night.—

The cliff that rears its frowning face,
The driving snow, the storm's wild strife,
The somber, serried heights that space
The confines of a rugged race —
They weave a spell on life.

O West Virginia, thy good name,
Thy people breathe in love and pride,
The glory of thy days and fame,
Shines with a steady glowing flame.
Time cannot dim nor hide.

O mountaineers, who rule in stead
Of those who lived to make men free,
Each mountain top that lifts its head
Is towering o'er heroic dead,
Who left their work to thee.

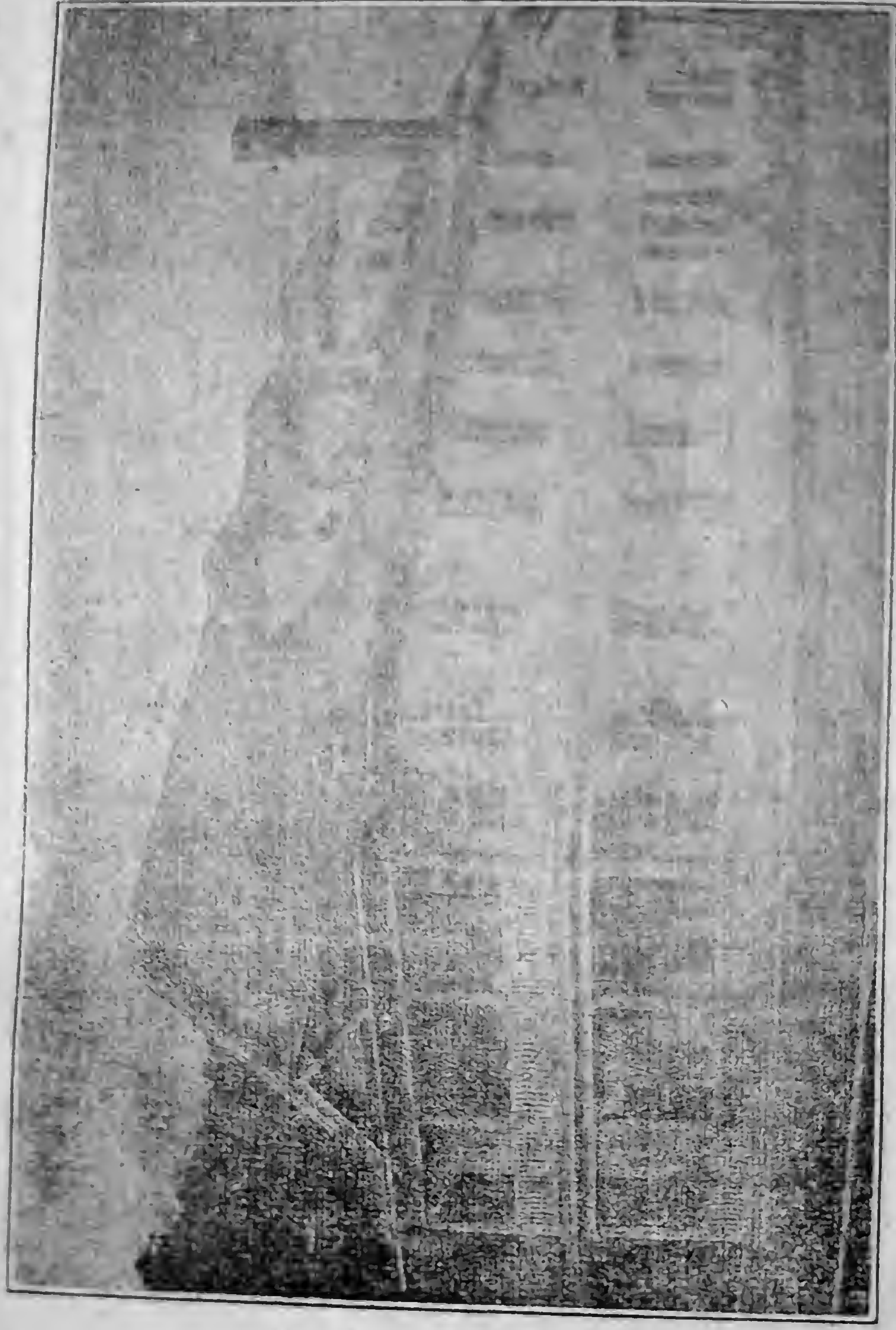
The time may come and that not long,
When greed and hate their deeds complete,
Humanity from out the throng
Looks to the hills to right the wrong,
And raise her to her feet.

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Placement of teachers 1945-46
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Brady Renick Clendenen
Brownsburg, Col. Faye Dunlap

Brushy Flat Glenna Barnes
Buckeye Geraldine Jett
Burnside Carrie Morrison
Caesar Mt. Mattie Kinnison
Campbelltown G. Pearl Carter.
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HIGH SCHOOLS

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Hillsboro High Cleatrice McNeill, Madeline McNeill

Marlinton High Arnout Yeager, Principal; Edith May, Helen Smith, Grace Arbogast, Mary Moore, Leeta Killingsworth, Polly S. Reynolds, and Kathryn Wiseman.

RATTLERS

By Jack Preble, Jr, in Steubenville,
Ohio Herald-Star

Last summer, during the week of July 3 8, we collected four rattle snakes in the Gauley, Yew and Alleghany mountains of West Virginia and brought them home alive, buzzing and squirming. A week or so later we were fortunate in snaring two more of these deadly reptiles, like ships at sea, were honored with feminine names so that our captives

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Teacher Appointments

Beaver Creek — Plummer F. Cutlip.

Brownsburg Colored — Faye Dunlap.

Brushy Flat — Elsie Adkison.

Buckeye — Nelle Y. McLaughlin.

Caesar Mountain — Arlene Cutlip.

Campbelltown — G. Pearl Carter Principal, and Bessie Brown Williams.

Cass — J. K. Arbogast, Principal, Glen P. Tracy, Wanda Lee Robertson, Ruby Gum, Louise Brown, Lynn Kerr, Margaret B. Offutt, and Glenna Gibson.

Cass Colored — Ida S. Choice.

Clawson — Raymond Tracy.

Clover Lick — Evalyn Coyner Principal, and Grace Arbogast.

Cummings Creek — Elizabeth H. Wallace.

Draft — Glenna B. Hale.

Dunmore — Macel K. Harris Principal, and Mary J. Mosser.

Durbin — Max Poscover, Principal, K. B. Wilmoth, Ruth Kramer, Marguerite Jack, Marie Parg, Hope Hull Mallow, Frona F. Williams, Margaret Wilson, Ruth B. Jennings, Mary H. Kegley, and Jeanne H. Gragg.

Frank Colored — Lillian Goodwyn.

Frost — Enid Harper.

Greenbank — Virgil B. Harris, Principal, Estes Crist, Margaret L. Cole, Loraine B. Mullenax, McNeer K. Dolly, Fannie Kane, Wilda Tenney, and Rachel Wooddell.

Greenbrier Hill Colored — Sidney L. Goodwyn.

Hillsboro — Charles Moore, Principal, Martha Beard, R. Dice Smith, Laura Pyles, Elizabeth McLaughlin, Martha Ann Edgar, Alice Waugh, and Mattie Kinnison.

Hillsboro Colored — Jessie Mitchell.

Hunterville — Clara F. Wade Principal, and Vesta Sharp Sams.

Marlinton — J. Z. Johnson, Principal, Grace M. Sharp, Beatrice H. Gladwell, Bonnie B. Brooks, Madaline McNeill, Ada L. Wooddell, Mayo Beard, Ina Montgomery, Bly Dever Shisler, Jane Kincaid, Orda H. Smith, and Eleanor McLaughlin.

Minnehaha Springs — Eva B. McCarty.

Mt. Lebanon — John Hayes.

Mt. Zion — Dorothy Louise Campbell.

Old Lick — Alma Miller.

Pleasant Hill

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Seneca Trail — Norman Sheetz Principal, Wanda S. Marple, and Lucille B. Simmons.

Spruce — Cora Sue McElwee.

West Droop — Rosalie S. Menger.

West Union — Lila Orndorff.

Woodrow — Glen Shinaberry.

Greenbank — Virgil B. Harris Principal, W. E. Blackhurst, June Riley, Kathleen B. Davis, Peggy Smith, Rosemary Coyner, Verna Dean Ellis, Minnie Parg, Flora Lee Post, David E. Smith, A. S. Hill, Harold C. Mosser, and Charles R. McElwee.

Hillsboro — Bennett Stump, Principal, Nellie W. Marquess, Thelma W. Weber, LeRoy D. Jefferys, Virginia Callison, LeRoy P. Hanna, Marion Tracy, Hattie Jane Sheets, and Elmer David Strickler.

Marlinton — H. A. Yeager, Principal, Priscilla Collins, Reed Davis, Leeta Killingsworth, Edith May, Mary Moore, Pauline Reynolds, John V. White, Helen Smith, Alice McClintic Moore, Orr Lee McMann, Ross White, Juanita Spencer, Joan Sharp Dille, Emery L. Anderson, Teacher and Coach, Leslie Gehauf, Glenna Sharp, Mary C. Skaggs, and Charles Edward McElwee.

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Stories

For several years we have asked Si Sharp to write some stories for the paper. We will start on a couple and hope he writes some more.

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The Allen Gang

Sometime after the turn of the century down in South Western Virginia there lived a law abiding, respectable and fairly prosperous family or clan by the name of Allen.

It so happened that a grandson and a son-in-law got into some minor trouble, fight or something and were sentenced to something like a year in jail, which the other Allens believed to be an injustice, and it wound up in Circuit Court a couple of times. Tempers flared, the judge sentenced two or three of them, including the old man, Allen, to the

penitentiary. The Allens, expecting the sentence, came prepared. As the judge pronounced the sentences, the Allens pulled their guns and shot the judge, sheriff, and prosecuting attorney, and

Sad End of Quince Harris About 1900

Quince Harris referred to himself and his trade as a "Whiskey Maker". He came around Slatyfork, and other areas to make whiskey for the larger buyers, having learned his "trade" in Kentucky. He had previously made whiskey for an Indian Chief in the Indian territory, now Oklahoma, where the United States Government frowned on any whiskey trade with the Indians, and the U. S. Marshals got out a Federal warrant for his arrest. He escaped the Indian territory but still kept undercover, more or less, afraid he would be picked up on the old warrant.

He made large wooden boxes to sour the mash in to make the whiskey up back of great-grandfather William Sharp's place on Middle Mountain. The mash boxes are long gone, but William's log house is intact. Great-grandfather had federal license to supply whiskey in the area for medical purposes, or perhaps otherwise, but did not have state license. He was

penitentiary. The Allens, expecting the sentence, came prepared. As the judge pronounced the sentences, the Allens pulled their guns and shot the judge, sheriff, and prosecuting attorney, and a couple of others and rode out.

The whole country was in a frightened state when they heard about it, even up into the hollows and ridges of West Virginia, and to Gib Doyles on the Dry Branch of Elk.

It happened this way—Gib went some where for the day. His kids, two girls being the oldest, 10 or 12, took Gib's saddle out into the woods and strapped it to a log to play horsie, intending, of course to bring it back before Gib got home. But in playing they forgot about it. Gib went to get his saddle in a couple of days and it was gone. He questioned the girls. He was a good strict parent, as were most parents in those days. The girls were scared to the point that in order to save themselves a good tanning with a hickory switch, for leaving Gib's saddle out in the rain, did what most of us would have done at that age, time and circumstances, made up a story of what had happened. They said that while he was gone, the

long gone, but William's log house is intact. Great-grandfather had federal license to supply whiskey in the area for medical purposes, or perhaps otherwise, but did not have state license. He was surprised to be summoned to Fairmont. He rode over there horseback, where they fined him \$200, but they said, "Well, since we have your \$200, we will give you your license free," which they did.

There was a shooting match near Slatyfork where they came from all over, as it was sort of a social event. One of them attending was a rough character named, I believe, Bully Bell, who picked a fight with a peaceable young fellow, named Hansen Lindsey. Hansen got the better of the fist fight, and Bell then cut Hansen up pretty badly, and threatened to come back and kill Hansen, who had been carried up to Great-Grandfather's house where Dr. Cameron was called to sew him up. He was a month or so recovering.

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Gib quickly spread the alarm that the Allen Gang was in the area. Women got in their homes and locked the doors. Men loaded up their guns, expecting an attack any minute. The attack never came. Actually the Allens had never gone far from their homes in Virginia, and later being captured or giving themselves up, and sentenced to the pen, in Richmond, Virginia, where they later died.

At Slatyfork, Austin Galford, like the rest of the men, ran to his home and loaded up his shotgun. The hullabaloo and excitement so upset his mother she was crying and almost in hysterics, when her daughter said, "Now Mother, don't you worry, for you know Austin will shoot," and being neither afraid of man or beast, would have.

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My Dad, who was about 12 years old at the time and lived over in the next hollow, was going around the dirt road to feed the cows when some one whistled up in the woods to him and motioned for him to come up there, he went up and it was Quince Harris, with a rifle laid across a log, he said he was watching for Bully Bell to come back to kill Hansen, and he was going to get him first, however, Bell did not show up.

Quince Harris later had a sore big toe that became infected where his boot had rubbed it. He stopped in at Dilley's blacksmith shop, near Campbelltown, where the road turns in to the Fairgrounds. He was afraid to go to a doctor on account of the outstanding Federal warrant, and insisted that Mr. Dilley cut the toe off with a cold chisel. Mr. Dilley objected to such surgery, but Quince insisted, and after trying to discourage Quince, finally sharpened up a cold chisel, and told Quince to set his toe up on the anvil, and he cut the big toe off with one neat blow.

Quince was dead in a couple of days, apparently from blood poisoning.

Si Sharp

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CALVIN W. PRICE, EDITOR

THURSDAY, APR. 12, 1951

Inquiry has come in from some college students as to names and terms of those who have served as Superintendents of Schools in Pocahontas county. I was taking time out to search the records, when Attorney J. E. Buckley took up the tedious trial. Here is what the record show:

To begin with the term of office was for two years, and the school election was in the month of May. At the first election in Pocahontas County under the new State law, George P. Moore was elected County Superintendent of Free Schools. This was in 1865.

On the 7th day of November at the meeting of the County Court he resigned as shown by an order entered as of that date. No reason is set forth. However, the presumption is that his position as post master at Edray under the governments of both the U. S. A. and C. S. A. prevented his serving.

In his stead, Dr. Robert P. Williams was appointed. He served about a year and resigned. He moved away to Bath county.

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While I have doubt, maybe I will get around to a chapter on the citizens who have served us as county superintendents of free schools. With the single exception of Dr. Robert P. Williams, I have known, as a boy and man, each of them.

Here is a list of the college men who have served:

Dr. Robert Williams, at a guess Richmond Medical.

James W. Warwick, Virginia Military Institute.

Samuel B. Hannah, Hampden Sydney.

H. M. Lockridge, West Virginia University.

Davis L. Barlow, Concord State College.

G. D. McNeill, George Washington and Ohio State.

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Then on November 6, 1866, Jonathan G. McNeill was appointed to the office. He was twice elected, serving until 1871.

At the election in May of that year, Cornelius J. Stulting was elected and then reelected. He served two terms of two years each.

The next County Superintendent was James W. Warwick and he served for a term of two years.

He was succeeded by Samuel B. Hannah in 1877. He also served two years.

The next superintendent was Uriah Bird. He served two terms of two years each.

In 1883 he was followed in office by H. M. Lockridge, who also served two terms of two years each. He was succeeded in 1887 by Montgomery G. Matthews, who had three two year terms.

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At the next election, 1898, James W. Warwick was again chosen for four years.

The next was J. B. Grimes, 1902, for eight years; B. B. Williams for eight years; G. D. McNeill for four years; Miss Anna M. Wallace 1922, for four years; C. E. Flynn for two elective terms of four years each, and an appointive term under the county unit system of two years. He was followed by the present superintendent, Eric Clotter.

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TEACHERS INSTITUTE

The final two day session of the Pocahontas County Teachers Institute for Edray District was held at the Edray District High School last Friday and Saturday. Among those registered were:

Charlene Beverage, Evelyn Gingar, May Ruckman, Anna Denton, Glenna Gibson, Juanita Shinnabery, Glenna Barnes, Eula Beverage, Georgia Shearer, Grace Shearer, Lela R. Stuart, Dameron Barlow, Harry Hollandsworth, Charles Kennison, Florence Howard, N. R. Fertig, A. W. Hill, Eula Walton, Polly Gay, Ruth Cunningham, Mrs. Beulah Johnson, Minnie Parg, Marguerite Jones, Mary Adkison, Edna Waddell, Anna Lee Devine, Anna Ward, Virginia Lancaster, Olive McNeill, Ethel Burner, Oakley Walton, Edna McNeill, Lucile White, E. E. White, Ida Brown Merle Pyles, Nello Y. McLaughlin, Edna Harper, B. F. E. Woodell, Lela Goodwin, Sarah F. Blakey, Midge Eskridge, Beulah Moore, Nell Morrison, Mrs. E. O. Woodell, Dewey F. Burr, Elsie Adkison.

The instructors were Prof. Oliver Shurtlett, of the Fairmont Normal, and Prof. Buckey of the Fairmont High School. Prof. E. A. Hunt, of the State Department was present.

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"I am not in favor of the phrase,
'going to school,'" Oliver Shurtleff,
dean of the Fairmont Normal, said in
a speech at the institute Saturday.
"It sounds too much as though we
are going somewhere away off."

"There are two signs of coming
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An address on his philosophy of life was given by Mr. Buckey, principal of the Fairmont High school. The saying, "He travels the fastest who travels alone," which was one of his guiding principles in early life, he found not applicable to school teaching where cooperation is a chief need. His address was well received. Also interesting talks were made at the institute by a number of school workers of the county.

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SCHOOL TRUSTEES

The following is a list of the trustees for the year. The figures indicate the years trustees are appointed for. The hold over trustees do not qualify.

1 Rush Run—A. W. McNeill 3, A. H. Duncan 1, A. A. Rucker 2, hold over.

2 Swago—Porter Kellison 3, Jake Jackson 2, Tom Hause, 1, hold over.

3 Sitlington, discontinued.

4 Beaver Dam discontinued

5 Spruce Flat—Jason Cloonan 3, G. P. Moore 2, E. C. Sheets 1, hold over.

6 Marlinton—under control of the Board

7 Laurel Creek—J. A. Arbogast 2 hold over, Summers Galford 1 hold over, U. S. Gilmore 3.

8 West Union—Amos Beverage 1, hold over, Jesse Beverage 2, hold over, W. M. Vanreenan 3

9 Pine Grove—C. C. Baxter 1, hold over, W. A. Barlow 2, holdover, Porter Sharp 3,

10 Green Hill—Elmer Sharp 3, E. B. Wooddell 1, E. F. McLaughlin 2, hold over.

11 Marlinton Col.—Isam Goodwin 2, hold over; John Gilmore 1 hold over, James Harris 3.

12—Campbelltown—H. K. Bright 2, hold over. Floyd Dilley 1, hold over, Fred Gwin 3.

13 Edray—E. H. Robinson 2, hold over, A. R. Gay 1, hold over W. E. Poage 3.

14 Mt. Pleasant—Wallace Dilley, 2, hold over. W H Shearer 1 hold over, Howard Hawkins 3

15 Brownsburg—Moody Wilson 2 hold over, Rice Griggs 3 Ed Hoggs 1

16 Pleasant Hill—John Wilcox 1

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16 Pleasant hill—Anton Wilfong 1 hold over, Resse Wilfong 3, Noah Bright 2

17 Alderny—Wm McClure 1, hold over, A N Barlow 3, Luther Smith 2

18 Fairview—H J Sharp 1, hold over, Ben Johnson 3, H H Waugh 2

19 Poage Lane—Chas Shinaberry 2, hold over, J O Mann 1, hold over, Amos J Sharp 3.

20 Clover Lick—W C Lindsay 2, hold over, Howard Lowe 3, W H Barkley 1

21 Stony Bottom—J M Geiger 2, hold over, M. M. Bailey 1 hold over, S A Meeks 3

22 Thomas Springs—Ham Burns 1 hold over, Edgar Dilley 3, John Kramer 2

23 Yew Glade—J R Showalter 1, hold over, F. E. Wooddell 3, E H Hamrick 2

24 Huffman Spring, discontinued

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28 Hannah—H A Hannah 2 hold
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ley McGuire 3

29 New Pleasant Valley—Harry
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1 hold over, Jake Gibson 3

30 Linwood—C C Beale 2, hold
over, M P Vandevender 1 hold over,
Sam Galford 3

31 Crooked Fork—Willie Gibson 2,
hold over, Ashby Higgins 1 hold over,
George Gay 3

32 Woodrow—S D McClure 1 hold
over, Lloyd VanReenan 3 Ed Woods 2

33 Bucks Run—Robert Davis 1
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34 Brushy Flat—Forrest McClure.
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CO. B. OF E. PLACES TEACHERS FOR 1934-35

At a meeting of the County board of education, held here on Tuesday of this week, the elementary teachers for the entire county were assigned to the various schools over the county. At this meeting, three schools were discontinued, they were, Rimel, Raywood and Locust Creek. All but one teacher for the schools was hired at this meeting, and those hired, all were placed but two, Miss Virginia Rexrode, of Marlinton, and Hull Collins were hired at the meeting and these two will probably be assigned to the three schools left vacant, namely, Spruce, Stark, and Summit.

One additional teacher, Miss Edith May, of Marlinton, was hired for the music teacher in the Marlinton graded school.

Following is the list of teachers and the schools assigned them:

Bertha Elliott, Back Allegheny; Virginia Covington, Beard; Edna Lee Gigson, Beaver Creek; Glenna Gibson, Bethel; Minnie Parg, Big Fill; Leslie Gehauf, Big Run; Glenn Shinnabery, Blue Lick; Plummer Cutlip, Boggs Run; Mildred Cunningham, Brady; Mrs. Ida Nae Choice, Brownsburg Colored; Hugh Moore, Brownt Mtn; Elizabeth Auldridge, Bruffey's Creek; E. B. Wilmoth, Brush Run; Margaret VanBremen, Grassy Flat; W. M. Buckley, Pine Grove; Mary Warwic

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Lebanon; Vesta Sharp, Mt. Pleasant;
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Summit left open; Laura Pyles, Sun-
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Teachers Appointed

At a regular session of the Board of Education, the following principals were appointed and placed—

J. K. Arbogast, Cass Graded
Virgil Beckett, Hillsboro Grad.
J. Z. Johnson, Marlinton Grad.
Frank K. Johnston, Hillsboro High

C. A. McMillion, Greenbank High, Greenbank Graded
Max Poscover, Durbin Graded
Paul Sharp, Seneca Trail Con.
Arnout Yeager, Marlinton High
The following teachers were appointed:

Elsie Adkison, Laurie Arbuckle
Glenna Barnes, Jessie B. Powell
Lorraine Beard, Martha Beard,
Mayo Beard, Ruth Beard, W. E. Blackhurst, W. A. Bolen, Zenna Brake, Lucille Bright, W. M. Buckley, Maud Bumgardner, Dewey Burr

Pearl Carter, John J. Casey, Ida S. Choice, Annas Cole, Hull Collins, Paul Collins, Evalyn Coyner, Estes Crist, Mildred Con-

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ner, Estes, Crist, andred Cun- ningham, Plummer Cutlip

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Mary Hamilton, Laura Hannal Bardon Harper, Enid Harper, W. E. Hayes, Mary C. Henderson Bonnie N. Hill, Elizabeth Hill Orda Hill, Sterling Hill, W. A. Hively, Garnet B. Hoover, Paul- ine Hughes, Hope Hull, Hudson Hull

Grace Inman, Marguerite Jack Fannie Kane, Mary H. Kegley Lynn Kerr, Jane Kincaid, Mar- guerite K. Widney, Edna Knaf- per, Ruth Kramer, Edna Le- Lambert, Margaret Lightner

Eloise S. MacQueen, Eva I McCarty, Clark McCutcheon, Eli- abeth O. McCutcheon, Franc McElwee, Elnor McLaughlin Elizabeth McLaughlin, Drex- McMillion, Madaline McNeill

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Opal P. Sharp, Vesta Sharp, Hat
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Shinaberry, Raymond Shrader,
Mary C. Skaggs, Helen Smith,
Nellie M. Smith, Peggie Smith,
R. Dice Smith, Doris Snyder,
Glenn Tracy, Rudolph Urbanick,
Okie Walton, Alice Waugh, Fro
na F. Williams, K. B. Wilmoth,
Margaret Wilson, Ada Wooddell,
Jane Wooddell, Rachel Wooddell.

Leta Beard, Mary Elizabeth
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TEACHER PLACEMENTS

At the meeting of the Board of Education last week the teachers for Pocahontas County were assigned to schools as follows:

BEAVER CREEK—Fred Mouser
BIG RUN—N. R. Fertig
BLUE LICK—Madaline McNeill
BOGGS RUN—Wallace Gum
BRADY—Lowell Snyder
BROWNSBURG—Fay Dunlap
BROWNS MOUNTAIN — V e s t a
Sharp
BRUFFEYS CREEK—Lynn Kerr
BRUSH RUN—McNeer Kerr
BRUSHY FLAT—Glenna Barnes
BUCKEYE—Glen Shinabery, Olive
Marshall
BUCKS RUN—Marguerite Jack
BURNSIDE—A. W. Hill
CAESAR MOUNTAIN—Harry Hol-
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CAMPBELLTOWN—Leslie Gehauf
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CASS, colored—Sidney Goodwin

CHERRY GROVE—Monna Colaw

CLAWSON—Opal Shnabery

CLOVER LICK—Evalyn Coyner
Ida Rexrode

CUMMINGS CREEK—Charles
Moore

DRAFT—Elsie Adkison

DUNMORE — Glen Tracy, Helen
Jean Buckley

DURBIN—Max Poscover, Hull Collins, Leone Oliver, Marguerite Kinsner, Marie Parg, Hope Hull, Mary Rives Hiner, Margaret Wilson, Violet Hoover, Hilda Leader

EDRAY—Glenna Sharp

FAIRVIEW—W. M. Buckley

FRANK, colored—Ida Sue Choice

FROST—Enid Harper

GRASSY RIDGE—Lila Orndorff

GREENBANK — C. A. McMillion,
Estes Crist, Margaret Lightner,
Garnet Beverage, Mildred Nottingham, Elizabeth Oliver, Rachel Wooddell.

GREENBRIER HILL, Col. — Edna
Knapper

LESEBORO GRADED — Virgil

R. Dice Smith, Hattie

Laura Pyles, Eliza

Laughlin, Martha Beard,

Moore.

KERR—Plummer Cutler
Minnie Parg

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Wilson, Pearl Carter,
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Edith May, Ada W

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MT. ZION—Maynard

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A young lady teaching school on Cummings creek in Pocahontas county had occasion one day last week to chastise the children of a man and wife living in the district and next day they lay in wait for and assaulted her. She had them arrested for assault and battery and both were convicted in Justice Pierson's court at Huntersville and each was given 30 days in jail. The court decreed that the woman should serve her term first and during her incarceration her husband is to look after the children, and after her release he is to enter upon his sentence.

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Glenna Shinsbery, Olive
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K. Arbogast, Ed-
Louise Hull, Eliza-
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HILLSBORO, Colored—W. A. Bolen
HUNTERSVILLE —Clark McCutcheon, Orda Hill
JACOX—Plummer Cutlip
KERR—Minnie Parg
MARLINTON—J. Z. Johnson, Elva Wilson, Pearl Carter, Olita Gay, Raymond Shrader, Lucille Gibson, Edith May, Ada Wooddell, Alice Waugh, Blye Dever, Eleanor McLaughlin, Beatrice Howard.
MINNEHAHA SPRINGS — Mary Ruckman
MT. LEBANON—Layton Sharp
MT. PLEASANT—Edna Lee Gibson
MT. ZION—Maynard Dilley
NORTH FORK—Dewey Burr
NOTTINGHAM—Hudson Hull
OAK GROVE—Glenna Gibson
OLD LICK—Fannie Kane
OAK HILL—Ruth Flynn
PINE GROVE—Bonnie Nicholas
PLEASANT HILL— Mildred Cunningham
PLEASANT VALLEY—Annas Cole
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C. A. McMillion, Prin., LeRoy
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EDUCATIONAL JOTTINGS

BY COUNTY SUPT. G. D. MCNEILL

The last examination for Teachers' certificates will be held at Marlinton, July 13-14.

Teachers' Institute will begin August 28, with Bertie Backus and L. V. Daggett as instructors. The special lecturers have not been assigned.

The diploma test was rather difficult this year and there were many failures. Some of those failing showed a rather thorough knowledge of most subjects, and in a few instances, it may be an injustice to keep the pupil in the eighth grade for another full year. In order to meet this situation it is planned to give credit for study that the applicant may do this summer. An examination in a few subjects will be given about August 20th. If any applicant who failed in a few subjects and who made an average of 70 in all subjects will study under some competent supervision by teacher or parent, they may take examination in their low subjects. This test will be a real test, and the applicants must show improvement. Some record should be kept of work done, so applicants will be able to estimate the number of hours given to each branch. Do not study subjects in which a grade of 75 or better was made.

Memorandum of graduate diploma examination.

Edray District—Hubert Harry Hannah, Vernie E. Dille, Ruby May Hannah, Orlie Walton, Stowe McNeill, Addison McNeill, Ethel G. Hannah, Robert Moore Barlow, Forrest Vanreenan, Grace P. Smith,

HILLSBORO SCHOOLS

Commencement for the Hillsboro Graded and High schools was from Friday May 26 to Friday June 2

Friday night May 26, program by the graded school.

Saturday, May 27, seventh and eighth grade play.

Sunday May 28, annual sermon to the graduating class of the high school by Rev. D. A. Beery, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South of Levi burg.

Monday night May 29 the Boys' and Girls Glee Clubs gave a very interesting program in the high school auditorium.

Tuesday night May 30, annual contest between the Browning and Shakespeare Literary societies.

Browning—Essay, Nancy McNeel; Reading, Motie Kidd.

Shakespeare—Essay, Nellie Echols; Reading, Dolley Kennison.

Debate: Resolved: That Congress should pass the Bonus Bill.

Affirmative, Robert Bruffey and Lakie Hill.

Negative, Elizabeth McLaughlin and Milburne Curry.

The decision of the judges was: Essay, Nancy McNeel; Reading, Motie Kidd; Debate, Negative.

Wednesday night May 31, Grade Commencement. J. D. Muldoon, State Supervisor of Rural Schools delivered the address. Supt. G. D. McNeill delivered diplomas to the following: Wilbur E. Moore, Lorna Warren, Okey Cutlip, May Opal Grimes, Hugh Wiley, Margaret A. McCoy, Zeda M. Kershner, Lena V. Hodges, Sylvia Jane Gibson, Blake H. Shrader, Paul H. Burr, Virginia

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Greenbank District—Ruby R. Phillips, Roxie Phillips, Harlie Nottingham, Harper L. Cassell, Robert Ervine, Motna Colaw, Violet Slayton, Rella Phillips, Mary Moore, Alta Kisner, Minnie Anna Kesler, Pearle Mona Duffy, Myrtle Pearle McLaughlin, Lenna Ruckman, *Pauline Hughes, Rex Houchin, Glen Price Friel, Kathleen Taylor, Clarrissa Taylor, Oran Lee McLaughlin, J. Hubert McAvan, Paul Gilmore Patterson, William Beverly Taylor, Virgil Wenger, Margaret Hall Wilson, Marshall Degler, Delma B. Watts, Dorothy May Cochran, Elizabeth Blackhurst, Hazel Pauline Brown, Anna Virginia Burner, Audra Dill, Lula Doyle, Lanty Ervine, Paul Stiles Jackson, Jasper Mathews, John Hubert Mathews, Lyle McPherson, John R. Moulton, Anna May Nethans, Bennie O'Brien, Wilson Robertson, Walter Frederick Shafer, Fama Skiffert, Ethel Smith, Joe Vint.

Huntersville District—Dillard A. Carr, Beryl Sharp, *E. Clyde Hussard, Gladys Kathleen Moore, Kenneth W. Moore, Dorothy Newman, Veda

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Affirmative, Robert Bruffey and Lakie Hill.

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Thursday June 1, High school picnic near Seebert. Alumni banquet at night.

Friday night June 2, High School commencement. Prof. H. C. Humphreys, West Virginia University delivered the address.

Dr. H. W. McNeel delivered diplomas to the following:

Lillie Olive Auldridge, Henry Harper Beard, Leeta E. Beard, Robert Lee Bruffey, Ernest W. Burr, Roxie Ellen Carlisle, Lillian Lynette Fowler

Kisner, Minnie Anna Kesler, Pearle
Mona Duffy, Myrtle Pearle McLaugh-
lin, Lenna Ruckman, *Pauline
Hughes, Rex Houchin, Glen Price
Friel, Kathleen Taylor, Clarrissa
Taylor, Oran Lee McLaughlin, J.
Hubert McAvan, Paul Gilmore Pat-
terson, William Beverly Taylor, Vir-
gil Wenger, Margaret Hall Wilson,
Marshall Degler, Delma B. Watts,
Dorothy May Cochran, Elizabeth
Blackhurst, Hazel Pauline Brown,
Anna Virginia Burner, Audra Dill,
Lula Doyle, Lanty Ervine, Paul Si-
ple Jackson, Jasper Mathews, John
Hubert Mathews, Lyle McPherson,
John R. Moulton, Anna May Neth-
kin, Bennie O'Brien, Wilson Robert-
son, Walter Frederick Shafer, Fame
Shinnett, Ethel Smith, Joe Vint.

Huntersville District—Dillard A.
Carr, Styrl Sharp, *E. Clyde Bussard,
Gladys Kathleen Moore, Kenneth
W. Moore, Dorothy Newman, Veda
Lee Moore, Emma Gertrude Yeager,
Pearle Lavelle Thomas, Carl Ray-
mond Thomas, Margaret E. Gingar.

Little Levels District—Blake H.
Shrader, Anna Belle Clark, Paul H.
Burr, Mary S. Adkison, Virginia C.
Swecker, Dainty Walton, Verde C.
Kershner, Stella Powers, Bland Ker-
shner, Zeda M. Kershner, Bessie Mc-
Coy, Margaret A. McCoy, Early W.
Shue, Hugh Wiley, Kate I. Echols,
Mary O. Grimes, Ethel Hollands-
worth, Okey Cutlip, Sylvia Jane Gib-
son, Carl Morrison, Hazel Good, Lena
V. Hodges, Lucy Edgar Beard, Wil-
bur Moore, *Mary Frances Stillwell,
Lorena Warren.

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THURSDAY, DEC. 1, 1949

More History

By Henry W. McLaughlin

A paper read by H. A. Yeager on the history of schools in Marlinton, and published in the Pocahontas Times of October 20, 1949 is interesting, but there are some omissions.

The first teacher in the Price Hollow School was Miss Woodsie Warwick, who became Mrs. E. N. Moore of Glade Hill. Miss Emma Warwick her sister, taught the second and third sessions.

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My father, Andrew McLaughlin, being interested in the welfare of the community, invited preachers of different denominations to hold services. I remember among them James E. Moore, and George P. Moore, local Methodist preachers; Wickline, Hedrick, Cantor, Ballengee and others, who were on Methodist circuits; old Brother Wilfong of the Brethren (Dunkard) also preached occasionally. Rev. D. S. Sydenstricker, D. D., Presbyterian, who was pastor at Hillsboro, supplied the pulpit in the schoolhouse once a month at four o'clock in the afternoon. It was in this schoolhouse that the Marlinton Presbyterian Church was organized.

I can think of one other name that was omitted in the article, that of Miss Hester Kee, who became Mrs. William Poage, of near Edray.

I shall be glad to hear from any pupils now living who attended the school during the first three sessions taught by the Warwick sisters. I may be the oldest living pupil of that school.

Richmond, Va.

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Mr. McNeill was absent from school Friday. He was one of the number of Kiwanis members who went to Beckley; all those in the company report a slippery time.

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McClure, Veta Moore, Lake

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Best boy athlete	Bob Auldridge
Most sociable girl	Ruby May Hannah
Most sociable boy	Jess Wiley
Cutest girl	Mary Richardson
Cutest boy	Frank O'Farrel
Freshest rat	Billy Duncan
Wittiest person	Addison McNelli
Best all-around girl	Florence Price
Best all around boy	Carlisle Wade
Most typical senior	Elizabeth Dunlap
Biggest ladies man	Mr. Travis
Biggest flirt	Miss Lazenby
Peppiest girl	Babe Wilson
Peppiest boy	Ried McNelli
Best sport boy	Bus Edgar
Best sport girl	Babe Wilson
Most popular teacher	Miss Ault

General rejoicing is through the whole student body because of the Teachers Round Table at Marlinton Friday and Saturday. Friday has a special significance because it is a holiday and that's the reason for the special interest of the students.

Edray District School Trustees Appointed

At a recent meeting of the Board of Education of Edray District, the following school trustees were either appointed or held over for 1928-29:

No. 1—Brush Run, A. W. McNeill, custodian of property.

No. 2—Dry Creek, Porter Kellison, hold over one year, Lock McNeill and D. P. Barnes.

No. 3—Bucks Run, Ira Hannah, A. B. Beverage, and Lloyd Armstrong.

No. 4—Spruce Flat, Preston Moore, custodian of property.

No. 5—Marlinton, Board of Education.

No. 6—Greenbrier Hill, John Gilmore, hold-over for two years; James Harris, hold-over one year, and I. H. Goodwin.

No. 7—Campbelltown, M. R. Dunbrack, custodian of property.

No. 8—Pine Grove, Frank Baxter, hold-over for two years; A. C. Barlow, hold over one year, and W. A. Barlow.

No. 9—Green Hill, Adam Moore, hold-over two years; Elmer Sharp, hold-over one year, and George H. VanReenan.

No. 10—West Union, W. M. VanReenan, hold-over one year, Jesse Beverage and W. H. Gilmore.

No. 11—Woodrow, Andy Galford, custodian of property.

No. 12—Draft—Wallace Dilley, custodian of property.

No. 13—Pleasant Hill, Rease Wilfong, hold-over one year, George H. Wheeler, H. J. Menefee.

No. 14—Fairview, H. H. Waugh, hold-over one year, Ben Johnson, Dee

Friel.

No. 16—Brownsburg, Roy Wheeler, hold-over two years, Rice Graves, hold-over one year and Moody Wilson.

No. 17—Brushy Flat, L. L. Smith, custodian of property.

No. 18—Stony Bottom, Guy Tallman, custodian of property.

No. 19—Cloverlick, Luther Coyner, custodian of property.

No. 20—Crooked Fork, Willie Gibson, custodian of property.

No. 21—Pleasant Valley, Jake Gibson, hold-over for one year, Forrest Gibson, and Charles McGuire.

No. 22—Hannah, Vee P. Hannah, hold-over one year, H. A. Hannah, Harry Varner.

No. 23—Slaty Fork, L. D. Sharp, hold-over 2 years; Page Hannah, hold over one year, and Lee Bonner.

No. 24—Linwood, M. P. Vandevender, hold-over 2 years, Sam Galford, and G. E. Wooddell.

No. 25—Mace, M. H. Beale, hold-over two years, C. C. Cross and Moral Miller.

No. 26—Brady, Gilbert Doyle, custodian of property.

No. 27—Thomas Springs, Ham Burns, hold over for two years, Edgar Dilley, hold over one year, and John Kramer.

No. 282—Poage Lane, Chas. Shinnaberry, custodian of property.

All the names which are not followed by explanation are newly appointed trustees.

Tong, hold-over one year, George H. Wheeler, H. J. Menefee.

No. 15—Fairview, H. H. Waugh, hold-over one year, Ben Johnson, Dee

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selves.

Many years ago the towns had six and eight months of school while the country had but four months. The teachers in those days came from the rural sections to teach both the rural and the town schools.

Boys and girls are being graduated from the grades at from 12 to 14 years of age and from the high schools at 17 and 18 years of age, and that is too young to send them away from home to attend college or high school. A six-month term of school would be more fully developed and they would be better prepared to decide whether they wanted a college training or wanted to engage in business.

The boy or the girl will be better prepared for the farm or the home if he or she spends half the year on the farm and the other half in school. Young people need to be trained in earning money and they need to be taught how to spend it judiciously. Herein are the schools of the present day failing.

More than 60 percent of the taxes we pay goes to support the schools. Hundreds of homes are being sold for the taxes levied against them and if there is ever to come any relief to the over-burdened tax payer the schools as well as all other institution must make some sacrifices. For two years the livestock farmers have lost money. Is it any more than fair to ask teachers to stand a little loss?"

SCHOOL REPORTS 11-9-25

Honor roll for the second month of Stony Bottom school. Upper grades, Mrs. Wallace, teacher—Perfect attendance, Bearyland Harlan McLaughlin, Jesse and Okey Moore, Frank and Grace Wilfong, Valley Beverage, June and Ruth Meeks, Ryder, Grace Gelger, Mary, Maude and Ruth Doyle, Edyth Thomas.

Pupils neither absent or tardy, 2nd month, primary room, Eula V. Hill, teacher.—Paul Doyle, Graham and Clyde Tallman, Edward, Floyd and Loyd Moore, Cassel and Robert Rider, Floyd McLaughlin, Owen Meeks, Emmett Wilfong, Loyd McLaughlin, Anna Lee Curry, Jaunita Buzzard.

Honor roll of West Droop school 2nd month, Ovid M. McMillion, teacher—Warren Hanpins, Santford Hanpins, Stoner Kershner, Wilson Stamps, Veva Cullp, Ora Copenhaver, Vada Copenhaver, Lela Hollandsworth, India Hanpins, Hilda Kershner, Nellie Wiley.

Report of Buckeye school second month, primary, Goldie McNeill, teacher. Perfect attendance—Randolph Bostle, Jesse Bostle, Paul Duncan, Jay B. Graham, Jimmy Howard, James Miller, William Miller, Harold Thomas, Everette Young, Gladys Barnes, Mary E. Graham, Madeline McNeill, Ruby Miller, Helen Young, Gladys Thomas. Faithful attendance, Guy Wanless, Martha Bostle, Leslie Rose.

Second month, upper room, G. Winters Hill, teacher. Perfect attendance—Glen Duncan, Ruth Hin

Lottie Taylor, and Maggie Moss.
Faithful attendance—Bernard Hin-
kle, Glen Rucker, Ross Miller,
Beatrice Howard, Bernice Miller and
Audrey Rucker.

Report of Moore school, second
month, Lucille Beard, teacher.
Perfect attendance—Bly Dever, Ruth
Dever, Doris Moore, Sally and Vir-
ginia Newman, Price Moore, Donald
and Carwell Newman, Lloyd Shina-
berry. Faithful attendance—Jean
Dever, Capitola Watson.

Report of Cherry Grove school, 2nd
month, Effie D. Moore teacher. Per-
fect attendance—Clay and Burr
Houchins, Anderson and Carl Curry,
Garland and Edna Hevner. Faith-
ful attendance—Harlan Tallman,
Charlie and Paul Hevner, Hayward
and Willa Colaw, Virginia Houchin

Honor roll for Pleasant Hill school,
second month, N. R. Fertig, teacher.
—Beulah Wilfong, Mattie Wheeler,
Gertrude Menefee, Nora Wheeler,
May Wilfong, Edith Wheeler, Mary
Jane Waugh, Jamie Dean, Paul
Menefee, Leo Bright, Sterling Mene-
fee.

Report of Buck's Run school sec-
ond month, Alice M. Friel teacher.—
Ethel Hannah, Blanch Davis, Lucille
Hannah, Edith Hannah, Carl Davis,
Kirk Hannah, Ralph Hannah.

Campbelltown, Fred Gwin
Cass, Harry Hill
Cass, Colored, George Gilbert
Cherry Grove, Cecil Houchin
Clawson, E. N. Carr
Clover Lick, Leg Kester
Cummings Creek, John Lee
Curry, J. C. Hill

Denmar, colored, Dr. S. J. Hamp-
field

Douthards Creek, G. O. Wade
Draft, Wallace Dilley
Dunmore, James Campbell
Durbin, J. Hall Wilson
Edray, Frank Young
Fairview, Ben Johnson
Frank, colored, Howard Jackson
Grassy Ridge, Howard Burner
Frost, Kent Chestnut
Greenbank, John Hannah
Greenbrier Hill, colored, John Gil-
more

Green Hill, George VanReenan
Grimes, W. H. Cackley
Hillsboro, George Clendenen
Hoover, Dock Cromer
Hosterman, Adam Collins
Huntersville, W. R. Pierson
Kerr, Okie Bennett
Lobelia, George Williams
Locust Creek, Alva Jackson
Marlinton, Fred C. Allen
Minnehaha Springs, Elmer Moore
Mt. Lebanon, C. C. Cutlip
Mt. Pleasant, Cecil Shinaberry
Mt. Zion, Willie Dilley
North Fork, G. R. W. Brown
North Fork, H. Clarence Alder-
man

Nottingham, Chas. Nottingham
Oak Grove, Glen Galford
Oak Hill, Tiffin Mullenax
Old Lick, S. H. Johnston
Oliver, Andy McCloud
Pine Grove, E. Charley Baxter
Pine Grove, G. Wesley Vandevend-
er

Pleasant Hill, Ressie Wilfong
Pleasant Valley, Remus Bruffey
Pouge Lane, I. O. Mann

Rebel, Clarence White
Ruckman, Charles Gum
Salisbury, Charley Myers
Seibert, A. O. Pyles
Seneca Trail, Jesse Hannah
Seneca, R. K. Kittle

Spence Flat, Preston Moore
Stark, McClendon Mollenau
Stillwell, John Clark

Stony Bottom, W. C. Hatcher
Sunderland, H. C. Cole
Wesley Chapel, R. D. Elliott

West Branch, Hugh Wiley
West Union, W. H. Gilmore
Whitell, J. H. Haines

Williams River, James Foster
Winchester, Andrew Galford

38 in Greenbank district, 17 in Hun-
tersville district, and 36 in Little
Level district.

The highest averages were made
by Ruth Hannah, Greenbank; Fran-
ces Dunbrack, Campbelltown, and
Glenna Stewart, Greenbrier Hill.

Pupils completing their grade work
are as follows:

Edray District

Ted Bright, Rhue Webster, Blanche
Dunbrack, Frances Dunbrack, Way-
ne Geiger, Manuel McNeill, Clark
Taylor, Virginia Lou Young, Madel-
ine Friel, Marvin Friel, Eva May
Reynolds, Glenna Stewart, Clark
Baxter, Arnold Mann, Glenna Cloon-
an, Gaylor Sheets, Kenneth Bumbar-
dner, Owne Meeks, Floyd Moore
Loyd Moore, Emmet Wilfong, Frank
Wilfong, Eula Wheeler, J. B. Gra-
ham, Everette Paul Young, Ross Mil-
ler, May Miller, Helen Young, Polly
Gibson, Mildred Gibson, Anna Bell
Ware, Charlotte Miller, Clyde Beale,
Frances Lassiter, Arlie Hannah, Eu-
gene Hannah, Jack Gibson, Nancy
Mary Moore, Mary Virginia Cunning-
ham, Helen Patterson, Catherine Sue
Brill, Jane Stobo Price, Henrietta
Gray Mary Frances Pifer, Frances
Waugh, Pauline Jordan, Marjorie
Eades, Eva McElwain, John Cochran,
Pearl Cochran, Mary Frances Faulk-
nier, Helen Spitzer, Anita Miles, Hal-
lie Adkison, Minnie Ruth Withers,
Pollyanna Herold, Mildred Barnes,
Georgia Beverage, Richard McElwee,
William Stull, Jim McNeill, Roy Live-
say, Charles Roman, Berton Smith,
William McKelvey, Oren Waugh,
Harper Duncan, Omer Grubbs, Gene
Landis, Eddy Baker, Harry Gwinn,
Mary Robertson, Jack Smith, Lillian
Sharp, Mabel Tibbs, Nellie Waugh,
McArthur Buzzard, Mary Bowers,
Gerald McNeill, Marie Varner, Frank
Gibson, Donald Benson, and Cleatus
Paterson.

Loy, Marie Busch, Alta Dean, Wal-
lace Gum, Catherine McClure, Jos-
eph Callahan, Gilmer Callison, Harry
Callison, Billy Cutlip, Bessie Stew-
art, James Pyles, William Moore,
Andrew Brock, Julian Harper, Viv-
ian Hill, Lee Wade, Geraldine Steets,
Forest Beard, Ruth Wallace, Eliza-
beth Stamper, Mary McNeel, Mary
Frances Beard, Anna Rock, Nola
Jones, Billy McNeel, Louise McNeel,
Ruth Hill, Clifford Wickline, and
Willard Boblett.

Huntersville District

Eve Grigger, Dessie Gaylor, Carl
Underwood, Odis Unedwood, Edna
Underwood, Camie Wade Elmer Bar-
old, Arlie White, Doyle Kincaid, Alice
Hively, Guy Ruckman, William Per-
ry, Mabel Underwood, Carwell New-
man, Floyd McLaughlin, and Daisy
Moore.

School Finals

Commencement week, Little Level
District High School, Hillsboro.

May 15—Baccalaureate Sermon by
Rev. D. L. Blakemore, Presiding
Elder, Lewisburg District.

May 17—District graded school
diploma exercises, address by Prin-
cipal D. E. Arnett, Greenbrier High
School.

May 18—Class Night.

May 19—Alumni Banquet.

May 20—Commencement exercises,
annual address by Capt. J. M. Moore,
Greenbrier Military School.

EIGHTH GRADE GRADUATES

A total of one hundred and eighty-five eighth grade pupils in Pocahontas county will receive diplomas, making them eligible to enter high school, this year.

Oleta Myrtle Rhea, of the Marlinton school, held the highest average with 97 percent, with Clara Mildred Kellison, of Marlinton, running a close second with 96 percent.

The complete list of students who will receive diplomas, are as follows:

Edray District

Edray—Jack Smith, 89 and Virginia Lou Young, 92.

Draft—Cora Lee Harris, 83 and Roy Dilley, 85.

Cloverlick—Whitt Lowe, 86.

West Union—Thelma Beverage, 81, and Myrtle VanReenan, 82.

Poogo Lane—Evans Grimes, 86.

Brushy Flat—John Kraglo, 86, Vance Dumire, 87, and Boyd Dumire, 81.

Stony Bottom—Gussell Ryder, 85, Paul Doyle, 84, Agatha Curry, 82, Geneva Smith, 79, and Edward Moore, 87.

Thomas Spring—William Burns, 83.

Woodrow—Ollie Gafford 88.

Fairview—Harold Rottig, 81.

Greenbrier Hill—Katie Williams, 86.

Brownburg—Mildred Virginia McDowell, and Marvel McDowell.

Boonville—Frank Howard, 82, Helen Brown, 83, Marvin Jefferson, 84, James Miller, 81, William Miller, 81, and Edna Miller, 88.

Beaver Dam—Consolidated—Mary Frances Gifford, 86, Catherine E. Harper, 88, Helen Violet Johnson, 87, Paul Johnson, 88.

Greenbank District

Cherry Grove—Carl Curry 82, Salisbury—Nellie Nottingham 84, Raywood—Olive Lyle 89, Nottingham—Nelle Smith 85, Curry—Ida Kerr 85; and Layke Sheets 87.

Frank—Sidney Jackson 80; and Charles Wilson 82.

Thornwood—Harold Calhoun 88; and Ralph Smith 86.

Dunmore—Andrew Rhea 82; Virginia McLaughlin 85; Ruby Carpenter 85; and Thelma McLaughlin 82.

Big Fill—Everett Houchin 81.

Hosterman—Meade Burr 80.

Kerr—Veima Mullenax 80.

Cold Run—Grace Tacy 80.

Stark—Robert Paul Arbogast 77.

Durbin—Nellie Cover 82; Wallace Beverage 86; Mary Filuta 90; Eugene Burner 89; Elvin Cochenour 87; Marvin Burner 79; Dorothy Harold 82; Franklin Groff 79; Ethyl Jennings 83; Drexler Oldaker 79; Ada Kramer 79; Paul Spencer 81; Elizabeth McCloud 81; James Wiley 80; Edith Mullenax 80; Daisy Plyler 80; Doris Snyder 90; Nellie Spencer 85; Mabel Turner, 81; Kathleen Young 79; Timpie Young 79; and John Goodsell 76.

Cass—Marvin Dill 78; John Tallieris 84; Pearl Ryder 75; Earl Cooper 79; Adam Tallieris 84; Alma Bowling 80; Catherine O'Brien 83; Delia Wright 81; Ruby Grimes 87; Eva Bowling 87; and Virginia Dille 84.

Greenbank—Ethel Mae Brown, 80; Grace Brown 78; Opal Jones 82.

Cyril Hamrick 79; James Sutton 89; Anna Mae Ashford 81; Orytha Hamlett 82; Miff Lee Deverer 88; Leonard Woodhill 88; Deater Ashbridge 81; Waring Woodhill 83; Herman

Woodrow—Otis Galford 80.
Fairview—Stanford Rertig, 81.
Greenbrier Hill—Earle William Evans, 76.

Brownburg—Mildred Virginia McDowell, and Murrel McDowell.

Buckeye—Jimmy Howard, 82, Madge Bowers, 83, Marvin Jeffries, 80, James Miller, 81, William Miller 81; and Ruby Miller 80.

Seneca Trail Consolidated—Mary Frances Cromer 86; Cathleen E. Hoover 81; Helen Violet Johnson 77; Paul Patrick Smallridge 80; Lula Galford 80; Evelene Coberly 76; Gol-
die Gibson 79.

Marlinton—Oleta Myrtle Rhea 97; Mildred Anna Birl 95; Thelma Elizabeth Williams 95; Eue Evelyn Hiner 91; Almira Elizabeth Waugh 90; Beatrice Aileen Waugh 88; Edna Leona Johnson 92; Edith Rebecca Mayo 92; Evelyn Rebecca Jack 93; Virginia May Reed 92; Margaret Elizabeth Dunbrack 92; Kline F. Love-
ace 79; James Robert Sharp 81; Walker Dale Irvine 95; Eddie Baker 88; Myer Bedford Herold Jr., 88; Clyde Rose 82; George C. Roche 82; Larry Alexander Dunbrack 80; Ruby Weatherholt 81; Mary Ruth Rose 92; Ernestine Hull Livesay 95; Nellie Harriet Bright 94; Clara Mildred Kellogg 95; George P. Adkison 88; Lewis Anderson 80; Gail Bird Dilley 81; Harry Hoover Adkison 93; Harry
Adkison 85; Frank Barton
Adkison 86; Irene Wilson 88; Freda
Adkison 85; Lola Gray McMillion
84; George Stewart Sharp 92, and
Clara Eubank.

Trail Consolidated—Martha
Adkison 80; Virginia Bedford 70; Nola
Adkison 74; Fannie Williams 74; Geo-
rge Young 74; and Lois Nell Be-
havior 74.

ing 80; Catherine O'Brien 83; Delor-
is Wright 81; Ruby Grimes 82; Eva
Bowling 87; and Virginia Bible 84.

Greenbank—Ethel Mae Bennett
80; Grace Brown 78; Opal Jones 81;

Clyde Hamrick 79; Judith Sutton 80;
Anna Mae Ashford 81; Orpha Ros-
berg 83; Milly Lee Hevener 86; Le-
land Wooddell 80; Dexter Auldridge
84; Wardell Wooddell 85; Herman
Monk 79; Clifford Arbogast 83; Ray-
mond Tracy 79; Rockford Hamed 84;
Clara Lewis 85; Roosie McCutcheon
82; Julian Hamed 76; Mollie Snyder
80; Ralph Stone 78; Wanona Ervin
81; Paul Slavin 72; Allen Pugh 70;
Jeanne Beard 76; Ward Crowley 70;
Keith Lambert 73.

Cass—Ernest Smith 75; Elmer
Cook 76 and Irene Chestnut 76.

Huntersville District

Sunset—Opal Shinnaberry 80.

Browns Mtn.—Beatrice Buzzard
80; Grace Sampson 84.

North Fork—Mae Alderman 89.

Moore—Ruth Dever 88.

Bethel—Frances Cole 80; Ruby
Galford 80.

Minnehaha—Bud Whitt 82.

Mt. Zion—Mae Gay 85; Dale Gay
86.

Cummings Creek—Hoil Underwood
83.

Huntersville—John Alderman 80.

Beaver Creek—Norma Kellison 81;
Gretta Underwood 82; Ida Underwo-
od 80; Clarence Gaylor 80.

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Doutha
man 87.
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Hillsbo
th 84; Ma
son 82.

Grimes-
Watson
Simpson
Pyles
Raymond

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Chas. Brown
June 76.
Robert
May 86.
a. Burdett

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July 86.
a. Burdett

Aug. 86.
a. Burdett

Sept. 86.
a. Burdett

Oct. 86.
a. Burdett

Nov. 86.
a. Burdett

Dec. 86.
a. Burdett

Clawson—Hazel Christian 24.
Douthards Creek—Margie Alder-
man 27.
Moore—Gallie Newman 28.

Little Lavele District—
Hillsboro (Colored)—Dakota Lim-
ith 24; Mathew Tibbs 23; James Wil-
son 22.

Grimes—Elizabeth Hook 25.
Watson—Mary Cole 30; Angelus
Simpson 32.

Pyles Mtn.—Charles Busch 31;
Raymond Deap 20.

Caesar Mtn.—Mason Vaughn 20;
Arthur Brock 31; Maria Coleman 27;
Susanna Brock 26.

Lacout Creek—Opal McCoy 26.
Sunrise—Roy Kershner 28.
East Droop—Iris Kershner 20; Alma
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Hillsboro—Ileta Bowman 79; Mar-
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BY COUNTY SUPT G. D. MCNEILL

The next examination for elementary diplomas will be held March 18-19. Questions will be sent without request to schools where some pupils failed in last test but teachers whose eighth-grade pupils did not attempt last examination should notify County Superintendent, if questions are wanted.

The first Teachers Uniform Examination will be held at Marlinton, April 1-2.

In the last diploma test forty-one of the applicants made passing grades. Below are the leaders with average grades made.

Goldie Shrader, 94; Quay Grimes, 92; Anna Mary Deputy and William Rietz, 90; Maude Mary Sutton, Agatha Hamrick and Verian Grimes, 89; Burke Grogg, Della Kershner and May Barkley, 88; Snowden Kershner, Mabel Meeks, Ena Grimes, Virginia Beard, William LaRue, Ruby Lindsay and Amber Cole, 87.

There is much confusion just now as to the proper procedure in cases where schools are broken up by "flu". According to the ruling recently made by State Supt. of Schools, teachers may collect pay, provided the school is closed by order of the Board of Health. It is doubtful whether pay could be collected for time lost unless the school be closed by Board of Health. It seems to be the policy of the Boards of Education to be reasonable, and it is likely that when the Boards have a meeting, some plan will be worked out for payment of teachers in proper cases though the schools were not closed by the Board of Health.

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The pupils who are eligible to enter the junior high school are those who have been legitimately promoted by their teachers to the eighth grade. The following list was compiled from the teachers annual report and these pupils are eligible for admittance:

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DIPLOMA EXAMINATIONS 3-22-28

The State Department has set April 5 and 6, and May 3 and 4, as the dates for holding the examinations for Eighth Grade Diplomas. All pupils who wish to enter high school next year must take one of these examinations. Teachers whose pupils will not complete their subjects before the first examination may enter the one in May if they prefer. However, if the last test is preferred, teachers must notify me to that effect not later than March 28.

There will be 268 applicants to take the Diploma examination, divided among the Districts as follows: Edray 78; Greenbank 73; Huntersville 60; Little Levels 57. This list does not include pupils in the Junior High Schools. Since each pupil must take the examination on ten subjects there will be a total of 2680 manuscripts. From the large number to be graded it is apparent that pupils should write legibly and arrange the work on the manuscript so as to be easily read. The manuscripts will be graded in the County Superintendent's office and the results sent to the teachers as soon as the work is completed.

The first examination will be held at the following places: Marlinton, Pine Grove, Woodrow, Linwood, Hannah, Stony Bottom, Buckeye Draft, Clover Lick, Mace. Thomas Springs, Greenbank, Cam, Dunmore, Dublin, Back Allegheny, Spencer, Frost, Minnehaha Springs, Huntersville, Mt. Tabor, Beaver Creek, Clawson, Hillsboro, Grimes, Oak Grove, Pleasant Valley, Bruffays Creek, Trump Run, Harmside, and colored schools.

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Rev. S. R. Neel, pastor of the Marlinton Methodist Church, delivered an address, after which diplomas were awarded to the following:

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Mary Susan Dilley, Anna Kathleen Faulknier, Thora Ethel Darnell, Frances E. Brill, Lorna Edith Smith, Glen C. Moore, Kathryn E. Adkison, Curtis Young Moore, Shelley R. Gibson, Ara Darnell, Bernice Miller, Alice Joyce Fortune, Percy Long, Mary Virginia Crockett, Edgar Moffett Williams, James Norval Pifer, George Clark, Madeline Hope Spitzer, Margie Lee King, John Ralph Dilley, Luther G. Geiger, Opal Catherine Shinaberry, Mary Elizabeth Gatewood, Norman L. Beale, Ruth Serber Hamrick, Noyle A. Fertig, Roscoe Cogar, Fervin Dumire, Jamie Dean, Ada Pearl Auldridge, Anna Ruth Moss, Ned Alfred Houser, Ola Una Rhea, Winfred C. Rhea, Raymond W. Mace, Joe Zuzek, Jr., Mabel Ruth Duncan, Helen Josephine Gay, Wilson E. Tallman, Goldie M. Galford, Samuel L. Vanreenan, Jr., Edith M. Vanreenan, Bertha F. Vanreenan, Mabel Rhea, Ola Bell Boggs, Cora F. Hannah.

Huntersville District

Gladys Elizabeth May, Georgia Lee Sharp, Mildred Smith, Tracy Mullins, Virginia Daro Herold, Lola Buzzard, Grace Alderman, Edgar W. Underwood, Amy Pyles, Margaret Althea Eckman, Myrtle Hyton, Helen G. Dilley, Paul Dilley, Nora Viola Underwood.

Nellie Elizabeth Livesay
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Commencement exercises for the graduates of the eighth grade were held in the high school building last Friday for Edray and Huntersville districts. Rev. K. V. Rowan, of the Presbyterian Church, delivered the address to the graduates. The following pupils received diplomas:

Margaret McGraw
Myrtle Armstrong
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Eighth Grade Graduates

122 pupils out of a total of 223 who took the examination received either diplomas or permits to enter high school next fall. Under the permit system, in order to get a permit, a pupil must make an average of 75 per cent and not fall below 60 per cent in more than one subject. Pupils who have been two years in the eighth grade must average 70 percent. An average grade of 60 per cent must be made by pupils who have been in the eighth grade three years. Consideration, however, will be given pupils 16 years of age, or over, who are desirous of doing high school work. It is felt that pupils who cannot meet the above requirements are not prepared to do high school work, and should continue their grade work another year.

Examination papers have been carefully graded and checked, and may be examined at any time by teachers and parents not entirely satisfied with the grades made by their children.

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Edray—John Herman McFerrin, 92.3 percent; Milton Humphries 89.4; Mary Margaret Herold, 88.4 percent, Marlinton school.

Greenbank—Mildred Phillips, Buffalo Mt. school, 85 percent; Thelma Swink, Back Allegheny school 84.3; Katherine Greathouse, Hoover school, 84.1 percent.

Huntersville—Janet Grey Hiner, 93.6; John Dayton Herold, 87.1 percent, Frost school; Mabel Arlene Gum, 85.5, Minnehaha school.

Little Levels—Clyde McMillion 91.3; Elise Vaughan, 86.2, Hillsboro school; Delena Dean, 82.8, Pyles Mt. School.

The three highest averages in the county were made by Janet Grey Hiner, John Herman McFerrin and Clyde McMillion.

The pupils of the county receiving diplomas are as follows:

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Huntersville District--Robert Wilmer McCarty, Lee James Symes, Helen Nerine Thomas, William French Thomas, John Dayton Herold, Janet Grey Hiner, Mayme Florence Kelley, Elizabeth McComb, Mildred McQuain, Charles Elmer Moore, Evelyn Dyce Herold, Mabel Arlena Gum, Mary Virginia Whitt.--13

Greenbank District--M. Marvin Turner, Willie R. Hughes, Boyd Hull Beverage, Forrest Hughes, Thelma Ruth Swink, Roland John Phillips, Mildred Phillips, Henry Hevener, Anderson N. Curry, Edna Mae Hevener, Emma Charlotte Curry, Onita Arbogast, Mary Virginia Smith, Ceola Louise Mann, William Ray Gillisple, Gerald Wooddell, Richard Nell Hevener, Willia Mary Colaw, Audrey Katherine Greathouse, Erma M. Arbogast, Kenneth M. Taylor.--21

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Thirty-three students from the
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Nancy Mary Moore	97
Mary Virginia Cunningham	96
Helen Patterson	96
Catherine Sue Brill	96
Jane Stobo Price	96
Henrietta Pollock Gray	95
Virginia Esteline Pyles	92
Mary Frances Pifer	92
Frances Poage Waugh	92
Pauline Jordan	91
Marjorie Belle Eades	91
Eva Dolores McElwaine	90
John Cochran	90
Pearl Cochran	90
Mary Frances Faulknier	90
Helen Fay Spitrer	89
Anita Warwick Miles	89
Hallie Virginia Adkison	88
Minnie Ruth Withers	88
Pollyanna Herold	87
Mildred Nell Barnes	86
Georgia Edith Beverage	86
Richard H. McElwee	85

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Spruce Flat school, sixth month, Mary Snedegar, teacher. Perfect: Earl Cloonan, Asa and Edgar Moore, Gaylon and Buster and Alerse Sheets, Glenna Cloonan. Faithful: Clarence and Eva Cloonan, Lesa Moore.

Back Allegheny school, sixth month Eula V. Hill, teacher. Howard, Ralph and Roy Cassell, Lyle, Dolly and Crystal Houchin, Benlin, Anna Lee and Flossie Sheets, Earl and Garnett Beverage, Lake and Thelma Swink, Bernice and Hazel Sutton.

Oak Grove school, sixth month, Mrs Mack Woods, teacher. Perfect: Cleo, Elizabeth and Kathleen Cassell, Dolores Crowley, Gayle Galford, Opal Jones, Alma Matheny, Dainies and Gertrude Sheets, Violet Wilfong, Oleta Wooddell. Boyd and Roy Cassell, Clyde, Jarrett, and Ward Crowley, Wallace Galford, Shirlio Lambert, Philip and Thurmin Sheets, Delbert and Glen Wilfong.

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W. A. Hively, teacher. Perfect: Nel-
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Ida S. Brown, teacher. Perfect: Mil-
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Faithful; Mary, Carl, Lorain and
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Report of the Fairview school for
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Report for sixth month Hannah school, Ruby May Hannah, teacher. Perfect, Raymond Mace, Faithful: Fred Hannah, Lula Galford, Oda and Margaret Mace, Georgia, Marie and Oleta Varner.

The Elk busy Bee Club members are busy choosing their subjects and writing their illustrated booklets. Some interesting subjects are being selected and written on. Some are: A glimpse of Elk Community ten years from now; Winning 4 H Members; How we Won Father to the 4-H Club; Why Father Let us go to the 4 H Camp; A Live Country Wire; Who I am and What I am going to be; A Home We Love; Happy 4-H Socials; Good ole 4-H Days

THE HIGH SCHOOLS

Edray District High School closed its most useful and successful session on last Friday night. A class of twenty seven young ladies and young gentlemen received diplomas. Four years ago this class started their freshman year with an enrollment of forty-eight. A man with a wide acquaintance with the High Schools of the State says that a fifty percent graduation is better than the average freshman class can expect. Principal G. D. McNeill represented the Board of Education and presented the diplomas.

A distinctive feature in that final ceremonies was the dress of the graduating class. They had on student caps and gowns. They looked so distinguished and the comments on their appearance by the people who crowded the school auditorium were so complimentary, that this writer hopes that the class of 1925 has established a precedent that will be folled by graduating classes of this school.

Simon Schuchat gave Mr. McNeill \$25 in gold and the Marlinton Kiwanis Club added \$10 to be given to the student or students making the best grades. The larger prize was awarded to Lewis Cooper, of Cass, whose average was better than 94 percent and the \$10 went to Miss Erma McCarty whose grade was better than 93 percent. Both are members of the graduating class. No less than fourteen students had a term average of 90 percent and better. The members of the 1925 class are:

Ruby Barlow, Lewis Cooper, Norman Camper, Madge Eskridge, Joe Graves, Fan Hill, Ethel Hannah, Helen Hunter, Mary Kenny, Erma McCarty, Jake McClure, Mydra McElwaine, Reta Moore, Francis O'Farrell, Baulah Palmer, Retsy Price, Mary Margaret Price, Norman R. Price, Jr., Jack Richardson, Grace Shearer, Juanita Shinnaberry, Ward Sharp, Francis E. Smith, Lillian Thomas, William Ward, Lillian Wiley and Winston Yeager.

The address of the graduates is:

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why the harvesting of ginseng is so closely monitored. The true value of West Virginia's ginseng was not realized until the early 1980's. At the present time, a ginseng buyer, referred to as a dealer, must be registered with the State. Dealers are required to keep a record of all ginseng purchased, including the date of purchase, name and address of the digger, amount purchased and the county in which the roots were dug. The dealer must then have the ginseng certified by the Forestry Division before it is shipped out of the State. This information will enable West Virginia to maintain this part of our American Heritage.

Additional information concerning ginseng may be obtained from the West Virginia Department of Agriculture, Forestry Division's service forester for Pocahontas County, John Rossell, at Rt. 1, Box 142, Dunmore, WV 24934, telephone 799-6151.

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Ginseng

We had a request to print information about the ginseng laws and regulations.

Ginseng Law

S20-1-7 (31) The Director is hereby authorized and empowered to regulate and set the digging season of native, wild ginseng: Provided, that the digging season or wild, native ginseng be set between the first day of December and the fifteenth day of November of the following year.

Ginseng Rules

And Regulations

Section 1. Authority

1.01 By virtue of the authority granted the director of the Department of Natural Resources by Article 1, Section 7, Chapter 20 of the Code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, the following rules and regulations shall become effective August 1, 1978.

Section 2. Season

2.01 The collecting season for wild, native ginseng shall be from August 1 to November 15 of each calendar year.

2.02 The season shall be statewide and subject to change.

Section 3. Unlawful Acts

3.01 It shall be illegal to possess green ginseng between January 1 and July 31 of each calendar year.

Section 4. Collector's Responsibilities

4.01 Any person who collects wild, native ginseng upon the enclosed or posted lands of another person shall obtain permission in writing from the owner, tenant or agent of such lands, and this person shall have in his possession such written permission when collecting ginseng upon said lands.

4.02 Any person who collects wild, native ginseng shall be required to plant the seeds from the plants he collects at the site of the digging.

Section 5. Dealer's Responsibilities

5.01 Any person, firm or corporation who buys wild, native ginseng shall obtain a Ginseng Dealer's Permit from the Department of Natural Resources.

5.02 Authorized ginseng dealers shall report annually to the Department of Natural Resources on a form prescribed by the said agency regarding the amount of wild, native ginseng bought and sold.

5.03 For each sale transacted, authorized gin-

geng dealers shall be responsible for attaching with the ginseng a West Virginia Ginseng Tag Number furnished by the Department of Natural Resources. This tag shall remain with the ginseng. See memo dated September 21, 1978.

Section 6. Revocation of Permit

6.01 Any dealer convicted of violating a provision of the Ginseng Rules and Regulations is subject to having his Ginseng Dealer's Permit revoked.

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Ginseng Season to End November 30

State Forester, Byron J. Warder, has issued a reminder that the 1983 Ginseng Harvest Season ends November 30, 1983, according to the State Law. All dealers registered with the State must submit their Export Certificate Report (ECR) forms to the Division of Forestry, 1800 Washington Street, East, Charleston, West Virginia 25306, prior to April 15, 1984.

Also, diggers are reminded that it is unlawful to ship or transport ginseng which has not been weighed and certified out of the state. It is the responsibility of the dealers to have the ginseng weighed and certified by Department of Natural Resources personnel at designated weigh stations throughout the state.

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Timber Wolf

It can now be stated definitely that the varment which has been killing sheep by wholesale on Elk is a timber wolf. On Monday about forty men and a big pack of dogs went hunting for the varment on Middle Mountain. They routed him out and he struck out for Gauley Mountain. Howard Beale was waiting at the place the varmint had crossed Elk River in former chases. The animal came in full view of Mr Beale and he took three or four shots at it with a shot gun at long range. He drew blood but failed to knock it down. It went back to Middle Mountain and the dogs were not able to route it out again.

This wolf is a big able animal with a bushy tail, curled at the end. It is gray in color, and looks as though it might weigh as much as a hundred pounds.

The question now is where this wolf came from. The last timber wolf in this region was killed by Stephen Hamrick forty years ago.

For over a year the wolf has been raiding the sheep flocks on Big Spring and Dry Branch of Elk. More than two hundred head of sheep has it killed. The last kill was on Saturday night out of L. D. Sharp's flock on the railroad near Slaty Fork.

THE COUNTY NORMAL

Through the influence and efforts of our County Superintendent of Schools, Hon G. D. McNeill, Marlinton was designated as one of the few places in the State for the establishment of a Summer Normal School. This school will last nine weeks, give the same course, as the summer schools at the University and Normals and will be in charge of Prof. Rossy, President of the Concord State Normal at Athens. There was and is not a little opposition to the establishment of these summer schools from various sources. If there is not a prompt and hearty response from teachers and those preparing to teach and High School students who want to increase the number of their credits, there is danger that Pocahontas county will lose this school yet. The thing that is now required to cinch the proposition is to have a sufficient number of pupils to signify by March 1st their intention of attending the school this summer. Prof. C. J. Ramsey, of Marlinton is taking the names.

Notice of Bridge Letting.

On the 7th day of May, 1912, the County Court of Pocahontas county will receive sealed bids at the Courthouse for the construction of two highway bridges, one across Deer Creek near Gratz Slaven's residence; approximate length of span 116 feet, roadway 14 feet, capacity 125 lbs per square foot, steel joists, floor to be first-class oak lumber 3 inch thick. This bridge 25 degree Skew-Right Substructure to be of best concrete to be constructed best grade of portland cement, good clean sharp sand and good crushed stone or gravel mixed in the ratio of one, three and five. The other of said bridges is to be constructed across Clover Creek at or near the ford at Cloverlick, roadway to be fourteen feet in width, capacity 125 pounds to the square foot, steel fence, steel joists, floor to be of good oak lumber three inches thick, substructure to be concrete constructed according to formula mentioned above. Bidders are to submit plans and specifications separate prices both as to the superstructure and substructure. The contractors are to construct the approaches to said bridges which shall be of good earth or stone fills not over a 5 percent grade and at least 16 feet wide on top. If constructed of earth said fills shall have a slope of 45 degrees. On each side of the approach of said bridges a railing 31-2 feet high shall be erected and good locust posts shall be used for this purpose, top rail 4x3 inches and lower rail 2x4 inches of good sound oak lumber.

The court will also receive bids for all cement reinforced concrete bridges at said places. Plans and specifications for same to be furnished by the bidders.

The court reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

C. J. McCARTY, Clerk.

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STATE ROADS

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AN IMPORTANT ROAD

On Tuesday the county court had before it for consideration the matter of permanently improving the road from Seneca Trail to the Slaty Fork post office and railway station. This is a distance of less than a half of a mile. It is now just a summer time road. Up to this time it has been about as good as the rest of the road in either direction. Now with the State beginning to hard surface the Seneca Trail, it is important that there be an all the year road in from the Seneca Trail. Slaty Fork is a permanent village since the Western Maryland has taken over the railroad. The postoffice is there and a great deal of freight, both incoming and outgoing, will be handled there. It is the home of the doctor, too. The court is aware of the necessity of this road and they have taken the matter under consideration.

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Route 24

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From Huttonsville to Marlinton stone base construction is in progress, about 44 miles. Travelers are usually permitted to pass but there are frequent delays. Detour part time from Edray to top of Elk Mountain, four miles fair. Marlinton-Elkins traffic should go by way of Minnehaha Springs and Bartow.

In Greenbrier county the paving between Frankford and Renick Valley is open to traffic. This opens a hard surface road from Lewisburg to Marlinton.

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5-21-25 ROADS

In the past week this writer has had occasion to go by and over three of the State Road jobs under construction in Pocahontas county. The one on Droop Mountain I have not seen, but the word is that this work is progressing satisfactorily. Much of this is in rock, and the work went on through the winter. The blasting was plainly heard at Marlinton, a distance of perhaps eighteen miles. An old timer said it reminded him of the cannonading of the Civil War Battle of Droop Mountain, which he heard as a boy.

The work on the road between Buckeye and Millpoint is being pushed to completion. The base stone is about all down, and by the time this is printed, the tar wagon will be on the job about a week and the section between Millpoint and Stephen Hole Run finished and open for travel. Last week more than one half the base rock was down on what remains unfinished of the Price Hill road. A great deal of limestone has been quarried, and as soon as the base is completed, the tar bound surface will go on in a hurry. Midsummer will probably see a hard road open between Hillshore and Marlinton.

Brown Brothers, the contractors of the six miles of State Road between Campbelltown and the top of Elk Mountain, have two steam shovels at work and expect to have the third shovel on the job by July 1. One shovel commenced at Campbelltown and the other at the Edray Church. Both are making remarkable progress.

Surveyors are at work down Elk, and it is thought that possibly another section or two of the road between Marlinton and Elkins may soon be ready to advertise for bidders.

The five miles of State Road up Cheat Mountain from Darbin has been graded, and the road between Darbin and Bartow will be hard surfaced. There is now a fine road between Marlinton and Bartow by way of the Knapps Creek Valley and Frost.

The maintenance fund for State Roads in Pocahontas county has been cut down, and Foreman H. L. Kuster has had to reduce his force. It is hoped, however, that the means will be forthcoming, and that our State roads will be improved and maintained in a high state of repair.

SENECA TRAIL TO OPEN

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A careful check up of the late possibilities would indicate one thousand automobiles daily take advantage of this new highway. The location of the Seneca Trail makes it possible to serve almost a fourth of the entire population of United States. Through the mobile clubs of the A. A. A. over United States will be circulated carefully prepared booklet, beautifully illustrated, giving grade sketches of town route, various trades and something of the opportunities for quick, easier travel over the new trail. They let with reach the public at an early date to "Save a Day by Traveling Seneca Trail Way". It appears will be made simultaneously with opening of the highway.

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STATE ROADS

The State Road Commission has a corps of engineers at work surveying the road over Elk towards Elkins, and another one between Droop Mountain and Lewisburg. Engineers are also at work on the completed work of the road contractors. From the weekly press letter issued by the Road Commission, it is learned that if sale of bonds can be made, it is hoped to complete 250 miles of State Road in 1924. The Midland Trail from Huntington to White Sulphur is completed with the exception of three small gaps—two in Fayette and one in Greenbrier. The North western Turnpike, which crosses the State through Grafton, will be completed. Both of these Federal Highways and a federal route will connect them by way of Pocahontas county. In case the money is obtained it is contemplated to link up Marlinton and other Pocahontas points by way of a hard surfaced road through Highland County, Virginia, with Franklin, Petersburg, Moorefield and other county seats of the South Branch Valley.

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THE SENECA TRAIL

A great meeting was held at Lew-
isburg Tuesday at which the Seneca
Trail Association was formed for the
purpose of promoting the interest
of the people of West Virginia in the
north and south thoroughfare. The
name Seneca Trail has attached to
the continuous highway formed by
road 24, a part of 56, and a part of
58, extending from Brookside on the
Maryland line to Glenlyn on the line
of southwest Virginia, and the name
was formally adopted at the first
meeting of the association.

It was one of the greatest sponta-
neous assemblies in the history of
the State. It was called for the fact
that is demonstrated by the tides of
the traffic that the logical way thru
the State is along the eastern border.
The route passes through the county
seats of Union, Lewisburg, Marlin-
ton, Elkins and Parsons, and run
by way of Mingo.

It more fully complies with the
policy of the Federal aid to State
projects, and this fact is becoming
more and more apparent as time goes
by. The name Seneca Trail was
adopted years ago by the town of
Marlinton to that part of the road
that lies within the limits of this
town. The half mile has been in-
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The maintenance fund for State Roads in Pocahontas county has been cut down, and Foreman H. L. Kesler has had to reduce his force. It is hoped, however, that the means will be forthcoming, and that our State roads will be improved and maintained in a high state of repair.

GOOD ROAD NEWS

4-4-29

Completion, from the Maryland line to Lewisburg, of what is popularly known as "The Seneca Trail" is provided for in a list of road contracts to be let by the state road commission on April 30. The Seneca Trail in West Virginia includes parts of Routes 56, 58 and 24, and follows approximately the old Indian war-path of the same name.

Together with the completion of a short gap on U. S. 50, which is planned by the state road commission of Maryland for this season, the work to be done on the Seneca Trail will provide a hard surface connection from the Eastern Panhandle by way of Parsons, Elkins and Marlinton to Lewisburg, and thence to points east and west over the Midland Trail.

The projects to be let on this route include:

Nos. 3143 B and 3174 A and B in Tucker county, 13.2 miles concrete; Nos. 146 B. and C. and 152 B. and C. in Randolph county, 21.8 miles of stone base; Nos. 3235 and 141 in Pocahontas county, 22.8 miles of stone base.—Charleston Gazette, March 31.

ON TO RICHWOOD

L. F. Reese and G. F. Brooks were over from Richwood last Saturday, in the interest of the On to Richwood movement to connect Pocahontas and Nicholas counties with a state highway. Their special business was to gain support of the big day on June 4th celebrating the completion of the big bridge across Gauley at the mouth of Cherry River. The idea is to bring central West Virginia and the people on this side of the mountain together in a demonstration in force to present the convenience and necessity of the building of a connecting link between Summersville and Marlinton. This is some twenty-five miles of road across the black forest, almost halfway between the Point Mountain road on the north and the Midland Trail on the South. It will give Pocahontas county an outlet to the west, and a water grade from the head of Hills Creek to Charleston; connect us with the good county of Nicholas, and the factory city of Richwood. It will mean a shorter more direct route east for the people of Richwood and give them access to the fertile agricultural valley of the Greenbrier. On to Richwood!

A FAKIR EXPOSED

A New York financial newspaper reprints the following amusing story, said to be a clipping from a Boston paper published in 1865:

"A man about forty-six years of age, giving the name of Joshua Copersmith, has been arrested in New York for attempting to extort funds from ignorant and superstitious people by exhibiting a device which he says will convey the human voice any distance over metallic wires so that it will be heard by the listener at the other end. He calls the instrument a 'telephone,' which is obviously intended to imitate the word 'telegraph' and win the confidence of those who know of the success of the latter instrument without understanding the principles on which it is based.

"Well informed people know that it is possible to transmit the human voice over wires as may be done with dots and dashes and signals of the Morse code, and that, were it possible to do so, the thing would be of no practical value. The authorities who apprehended this criminal are to be congratulated, and it is to be hoped that his punishment will be prompt and fitting, that it may serve as an example to other conscienceless schemers who enrich themselves at the expense of their fellow creatures."

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Cass, W. Va.—On Tuesday night about fifty members of the Ku Klux Klan gathered at the Cass school house and erected a 70 foot flag pole. The night before they had dug the hole and made other preparation. After the pole raising, they went to the town hall where they had a banquet.

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FREE SCHOOL DIPLOMAS

The following eighth grade pupils have been awarded free school diplomas and they are now ready to be admitted to high school:

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84th Birthday

Glenn Tracy will celebrate his 84th birthday September 28th at his home in Boyer.

Mr. Tracy was a teacher and principal in the Pocahontas County School system for forty-five years. For twenty-five summers he worked for the W. V. Agriculture Extension Service directing 4-H camps in every county in West Virginia.

When he and his wife, Vere Bly, retired from teaching they opened Tracy's Hilltop Motor Lodge. They worked together so successfully for ten years in the field of tourism that many of their guests became cherished friends.

Mr. Tracy is looking forward to 1991 when the Green Bank High School Class of 1926 will have it's 65th reunion. The class of '26 is responsible for the placement of the Memorial Marker on the front lawn of the Green Bank School.

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BIG BEAR KILLED

June 1, Charles and Dallas Tracy, Charles Sheets, Jake McLeod, Andy Gelger and little Bill Taylor (aged 10 years) went into Cheat to get the big bear that has been hanging out around Bald Knob since last fall. He was supposed to be waiting for the farmers to turn their sheep into the mountain range this spring. The Tracys and little Bill took the seven bear dogs to look for fresh sign, while the rest took stands. The sign was found on top of Cheat, back of the Hoover place. They jumped the bear about nine o'clock. In a short chase the dogs over hauled the bear, and in the first round he landed on one of "Nip," the best fighting dog, and put him out of the fight for keeps. The bear then got a swipe at "Chainy" and creased him pretty deeply with one claw, and that dog retired to his master. "Nip" went out of the fight when his pal "Nig" was knocked out. Stayed by him, and got the wound dog home on June 3. Thus by now the bear had put three good dogs out of the chase. However, the other dogs Max, Jim, Jack and Mott stayed on the job and made the bear lie in wallow holes until four o'clock, then the hunters called it a day and went in.

The next morning Dallas and Charles went with the dogs. The Tracys all the dogs in Pocahontas could get at that bear. Again about 10 o'clock the bear was jumped, and after a chase of nearly an hour the party heard Dallas shoot once, then give the signal to come. He was a monster bear.

One of the party writes: "I don't know how such a brute could get through the laurel thickets on Cheat Mountain, but I could very well understand why he would not trouble himself on the ground. How would he weigh? His hide weighed around 100 pounds, and measured around 100 feet. His foot measured around 10 inches."